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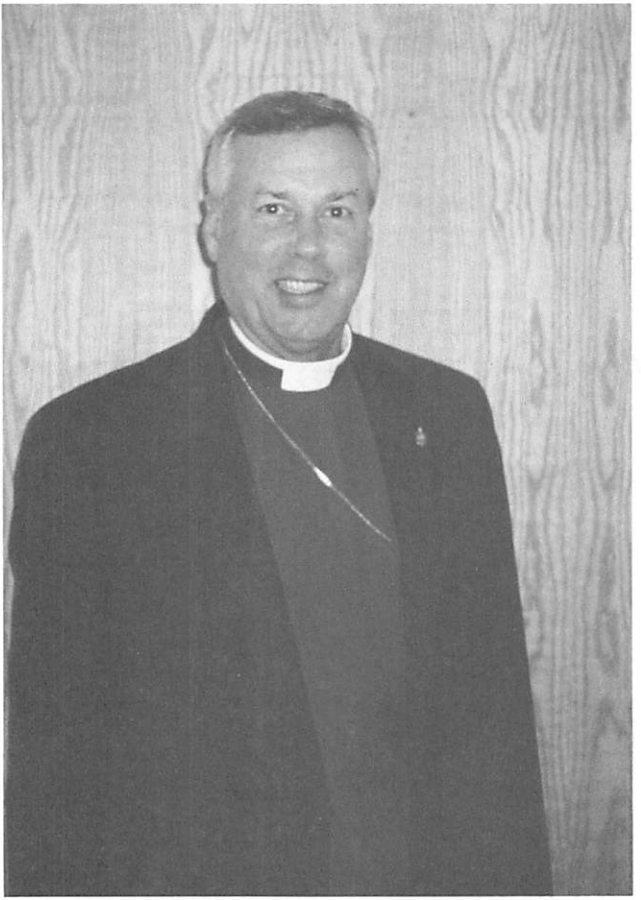

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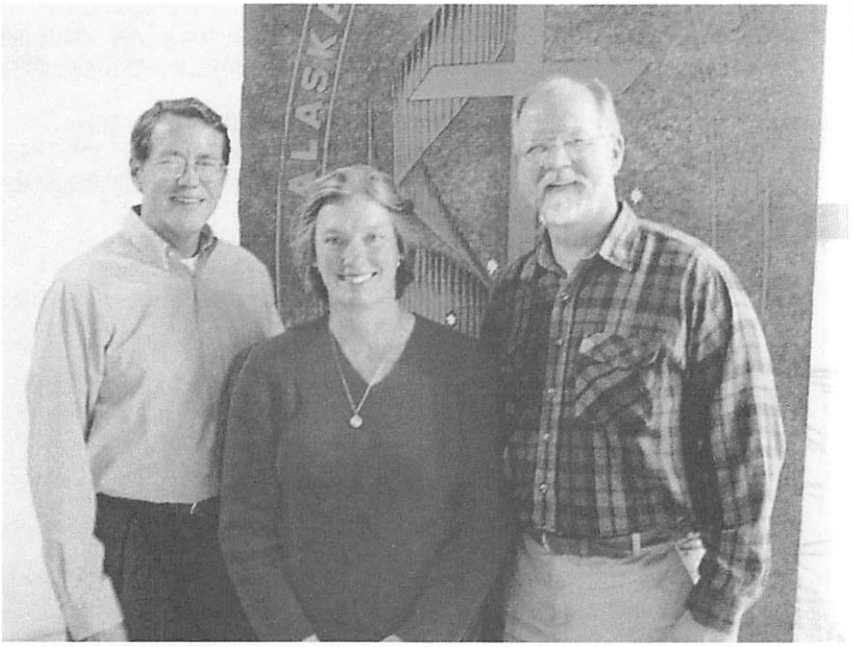

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## A. Superintendent Links to Program Agencies 2003 - 2004

**Dennis Holway***
Alaska Children's Services
Alaska Christian Conference
AMC Office Personnel
Annual Meeting Planning
Chukotka Native Christian Ministry
Communications Committee
Conference Coordinating Council
Conference Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Conference Council on Finance
& Administration
Disaster Response
Native Ministry Committee
Nome Community Center
Nominations Committee
Outdoor Ministries Committee
South Central Regional Program Council
Southeast Regional Program Council
Jurisdictional Ministries
WJ Leadership Team
WJ Directors of Connectional Ministries
WJ Inter-Ethnic Coordinating Committee
* Director of Connectional Ministries

**Rachel Lieder Simeon**
Administrative Unit
General Board of Global Ministries
Advance
Mission Personnel
Property
Northern Regional Program Council
Russian Native Ministry Committee
Conference United Methodist Women

**Monte Baker**
Committee on Archives and History
Kenai Peninsula Regional
Program Committee
New Ministries Committee
Professional Ministries Unit

Administrative Unit
Alaska Children's Services
Alaska Christian Conference
Communications Committee
Recruitment

## B. Councils and Units

(Clergy are designated by ALL CAPS.)

**1. Conference Coordinating Council**

Chairperson.....DALE KELLY
Conference Cabinet.....BISHOP & SUPERINTENDING TEAM
Chairpersons - Regional Program Councils:
Kenai Peninsula.....Sharon Brower
Northern.....Gayle Miller
South Central.....DAVE BECKETT
Southeast.....Barbara Mitchell
Administrative Unit.....Lonnie Brooks
Conference Secretary of Global Ministries.....Rose McLean
Council on Finance and Administration.....Arlene Wood
Council on Youth Ministries.....Randy McCurdy & DAN LUSH
Native Ministries Committee.....KAY SHOCK
New Ministries Committee.....J. BRUCE CASE
Outdoor Ministries Committee.....Susan Williams
Commission on Archives & History.....Bea Shepard
Professional Ministries Unit.....MARK CONRAD

United Methodist Women.....JoAnne Hayden
General Board of Global Ministries, Director.....Rachel Lieder Simeon
General Board of Discipleship.....Lupe Saafi
General Commission on Christian Unity
& Interreligious Concerns.....Lonnie Brooks
General Commission on Communications.....Pat Robinson
General Commission on Religion and Race.....DENNIS HOLWAY

2. **Kenai Peninsula Regional Program Council**
Chairperson.....Sharon Brower
Vice-Chairperson.....Stan Histand
Secretary.....Pat Robinson

3. **Northern Regional Program Council**
Chairperson.....Gayle Miller
Vice-Chairperson.....Steve Eldred
Secretary.....CURTIS KARNS

4. **South Central Regional Program Council**
Chairperson.....DAVE BECKETT
Vice-Chairperson.....Lori Staats
Secretary.....BRENDA WINGFIELD

5. **Southeast Regional Program Council**
Chairperson.....Barbara Mitchell
Vice-Chairperson.....TBA
Secretary.....Vona Hall

6. **Administrative Unit**
Chairperson.....Lonnie Brooks (02, SC)
Ex-Officio without vote, Treasurer: Susan Bickman

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|---|---|
| Vona Hall (00, SE) | EDITH GREER (00,N) |
| Dave Kobersmith (00, SC) | Loren Stanton (03, SE) |
| Jim Anderson (00, SC) | RON COVEY (00, SE) |
| TOM DAHL (02, SE) | KIM POOLE (03, SE) |
| JOHN CAMPBELL (03, N) | |

7. **Conference Council on Finance and Administration**
Chairperson.....Arlene Wood (97, SC)

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|---|---|
| Linda Dunham (03, SC) | JIM SHOCK (01,SC) |
| JON WALTERS (00, K) | DEBRA LINDSEY-HUDGINS (00, SC) |
| Judy Shoup (00, SE) | Ex-Officio with vote – Susan Bickman |
| BISHOP EDWARD PAUP | |

8. **Professional Ministries Unit**
Chairperson.....MARK CONRAD (99,N)

| | |
|---|---|
| Rose McLean (99, SC) | STEVE ELDRED (01,N) |
| JIM DOEPKEN (99, SC) | Lee Willis (00, SC) |
| Susan Smalley (00, K) | SUSAN KNIGHT (00, SC) |
| JoAnne Hayden (03, SC) | |

Ex-Officio: DENNIS HOLWAY & Pat Robinson, WJC Cmte. Episcopacy

**9. Conference Council on Youth Ministries**

Adult Coordinators.....Randy McCurdy & DAN LUSH
Vice-Chairperson.....TBS
Secretary.....TBS
Treasurer.....TBS
Members.....TBS

## C. ADDITIONAL COMMITTTEES AND COORDINATORS

**1. Alaska Christian Conference Delegation**

JOHN HENRY (98, K)
Lori Staats (99, SC)
Karen Chase, (00, K)
Claudette Curtis (00, SE)
Youth, Erin Campbell (01, SC)
Phyllis Sullivan (95, N)
Kim Kobersmith (00, SC)

**2. Annual Meeting Planning Committee**

Director of Connectional Ministries.....DENNIS HOLWAY
Host Church Pastor..... TBS
Conference Secretary.....BRENDA WINGFIELD
UMW President or Other Representative.....JoAnne Hayden
Host Church Lay Leader.....TBS
Worship Coordinator (appointed by the AMPC).....TBS

**3. Commission on Archives and History**

Bea Shepard (SE), Chairperson and Historian
JOHN TINDELL (96, SC)
JIM DOEPKEN (01, SC)
Claudia Kelsey (SE), Archivist
Larry Hayden (92, SC)
Arlene Cavanaugh (96, N)

**4. Communications Committee/Igniting Ministry**

Randy McCurdy (00, SC), Coordinator
J.D. Wallace (01, SC)
Laura Lahrson (01, N)
Chris Brooks, (03, SC)
Tom McPhail (01, SC)
Claudette Curtis (01, SE)

**5. Courtesy Committee**

JIM SHOCK (02, SC)
LAUREN KAY SHOCK (02, SC)

**6. Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee**

JERI BISHOP, (02, SE) Chairperson
Kim Beckett (03, SC)
Roy Shapley (03, K)
Northern Region, TBS

**7. Hope Retreat Center Task Force**

DAVID BECKETT
DUANE CHASE
Jim LaBau
Pat Robinson
Betty Burke
DALE KELLY
John Meyn
Lori Staats
Susan Williams

**8. Native Ministries Committee**

KAY SHOCK (02, SC), chairperson

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|---|---|
| Nick Sacaloff (96, K) | LUCY BARTON (99, N) |
| JOHN HENRY (99, K) | KAY SHOCK (01, SC) |
| Sharon Brower (00, K) | Jim Roberts (00, SC |
| Allison Young McLain (00, SC) | Latanya Odden (01, N) |
| Della Waghiyi (01, SC) | DeeDee Odden, (ex-offcio) |

**10. New Ministries Committee**

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|---|---|
| J. BRUCE CASE (03, N) Chairperson | Kim Kobersmith (01, SC) |
| Bob Smay (96, SC) | Fran Lynch (03, N) |
| Mary Sanders (00, K) | CURTIS KARNS (00, N) |
| BONNIE CAMPBELL (03, N) | JERI BISHOP (01, SC) |

**11. Outdoor Ministries Committee**

Susan Williams, Chairperson

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|---|---|
| Lay: Jim Sutton (96, SE) | VICKI HORN (03, K) |
| Hope: Betty Burke (00, SC) | JOE HUBBARD (01, SE) |
| Birchwood: Susan Williams (94, SC) | JULIE WASSER (00, N) |
| Eagle River: LeRoy Coon (99, SE) | |

**12. Nominations and Rules Committee**

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| SUPERINTENDING TEAM | Susan Smalley, Lay Leader |
| Sharon Cooper (00, SE) | DALE KELLY (00, K) |
| Pat Robinson (00, K) | TOM DAHL (00, SE) |
| Ken Krieg (00, N) | JIM DOEPKEN (00, SC) |
| Jim LaBau (00, SC) | MARK CONRAD (00, N) |

**13. Volunteer in Missions Coordinator**.....Fran Lynch

**14. Peace with Justice Coordinator**.....JON WALTERS

**D. Institutional and Other Representative**

(Those which need Conference action.)

**1. Alaska Children Services**

| | |
|---|---|
| Sue Cole | DAVID BECKETT |
| Dave Stratton | |

**2. Chukotka Native Christian Ministry**

| | |
|---|---|
| Della Waghiyi | JOHN HENRY |
| LUCILE BARTON | DENNIS HOLWAY |

**3. Nome Community Center**

LUCILE BARTON

**4. United Campus Ministry, Fairbanks**

David Moore

**5. University Community Ministry, Anchorage**

Robbie Robinson

**E. Institutional and Other Representative**
(Those which do not need Conference action.)

1. **Church World Service Disaster Response Consultants**
   JERRI BISHOP

2. **Wesley Rehabilitation and Care Center**
   DUANE CHASE

3. **Western Jurisdiction Committee on Finance and Administration**
   Judy Shoup

4. **Western Jurisdiction Conferences Committee**
   Lonnie Brooks  Kim Kobersmith

5. **Western Jurisdiction Committee on Credentials**
   MARK CONRAD

6. **Western Jurisdiction Committee on the Episcopacy**
   DENNIS HOLWAY  Pat Robinson

7. **Western Jurisdiction Nominations Committee**
   RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON  Lonnie Brooks

8. **Western Jurisdiction Committee on Appeals**
   BRENDA WINGFIELD  RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON, alt.

10. **Western Jurisdiction Committee on Investigations**
    DAVID BECKETT, Alternate

11. **Russian Native Ministry Committee**
    Arlene Wood, chairperson  Bob Smay  Rose McLean
    Bill Scharrer  Phyllis Sullivan  Faye Romer (Moravian rep)
    RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON  Della Waghiyi

## III. CONFERENCE DIRECTORIES

### A. Superintendent Local Church Assignments

**Dennis Holway:**
Aldersgate UMC
Community UMC Nome
Douglas Community UMC
East Anchorage UMC
First UMC, Ketchikan
Northern Light United Church
UMC of Sitka

**Rachel Lieder Simeon:**
Anchor Park UMC
First UMC, Anchorage
First UMC, Fairbanks
Christ First UMC
Jewel Lake Parish
New Hope M-P Church
St. John UMC
Trapper Creek Fellowship
Turnagain UMC
Unalaska UMC
Willow UMC

**Monte Baker:**
Anchorage Korean UMC
Girdwood Chapel UMC
Homer UMC
Moose Pass UMC
North Star UMC
Seward Memorial UMC
St. Peter the Fisherman UMC
Soldotna UMC
UMC of Chugiak
UMC of the New Covenant

## ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
### B. Addresses of Churches by Region

#### Kenai Peninsula Region

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|---|---|---|---|
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| **North Star UMC** | PO Box 8122, Nikiski AK 99635-8522 | | 776-8732 |
| Pastor: John Henry | Email: outreach@ptialaska.net | | |
| **Seward Memorial UMC/** | PO Box 5, Seward AK 99664-0005 | | 224-7368 |
| **Moose Pass UMC** | Email: vjh19@yahoo.com | Fax: | 224-5250 |
| Pastor: Vicki Horn | | | |
| **Soldotna UMC** | 158 S. Binkley, Soldotna AK 99669 | | 262-4657 |
| Pastor: Dale Kelley | Email: soldtonaumc@hotmail.com | Fax: | 260-4657 |
| **St. Peter the Fisherman** | PO Box 39153, Ninilchik AK 99639-0153 | | 567-3443 |
| Pastor: Julie Wasser (PLP) | Email: stpeternumc@hotmail.com | | |
| **UMC New Covenant** | 607 Frontage Road, Kenai AK 99611-7753 | | 283-7868 |
| Pastor: Jon Walters | Email: KenaiUMC@webtv.net | | |

Home page: http://community.webtv.net/KenaiUMC/KenaiAlaskaUnited

#### Northern Region

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| **Community UMC, Nome** | PO Box 907, Nome AK 99762-0907 | | 443-2865 |
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| **First UMC, Fairbanks** | 915 2nd Avenue, Fairbanks AK 99701-4389 | | 452-2956 |
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| Pastor: Mark Conrad | | | |
| Strategic Associate: J. Bruce Case, Jr. | | | |
| **New Hope Meth/Presby** | 2371 Bradway Road, North Pole AK 99705 | | 488-9191 |
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| **Trapper Creek Fellowship** | PO Box 13015, Trapper Creek AK 99683 | | 733-1717 |
| Pastor: TBS | | | |
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| **East Anchorage UMC** | 1660 Patterson St., Anchorage AK 99504-2773 | | 333-6611 |
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| **First UMC, Anchorage** | 725 W. 9th Ave., Anchorage AK 99501-3412 | | 272-2112 |
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| Debra Lindsay-Hudgins | Home Page: www.alaska.net/~fumc | | |
| **Girdwood Chapel UMC** | PO Box 1068, Girdwood AK 99587-1068 | | 783-0127 |
| Pastor: Jim Doepken | Email: chapel@girdwood.net | | |
| **Jewel Lake Parish** | 3833 Strawberry Rd., Anchorage AK 99502-7112 | | |

Pastors: James Shock Email: jewellakeparish@gci.net 243-2146
Lauren Kay Shock Fax: 248-5687
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Pastor: TBS Fax: 346-2826
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Youth Minister: Randy McCurdy
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Pastor: Rachel Lieder Simeon Email: cumc99567@yahoo.com Fax: 696-2938
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# IV. DAILY PROCEEDINGS

## A. Minutes

**Friday May 30, 2003, 2:00 PM**
**"In the Wesleyan Spirit"**
**United Methodist Church of Chugiak (UMCC)**

**CONFERENCE OPENING.** Bishop Edward Paup opened the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC) by calling the conference together with a gavel and block fashioned after one used in John Wesley's time. Bishop Paup led the singing of the hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive," and offered the opening prayer. He reminded us that we are not owners of creation and all that is in it, but that "...we are custodians."
Dave Kobersmith, Betty Burke, Dan Wander, and Rachel Lieder Simeon welcomed those present to UMCC, and particularly to their new Family Life Center, by presenting maps of the building, and American Sign Language pins to all. (The pin signed "I love you," a sign often given by Bill Lowe, who was instrumental in the building of this facility.) The conference then joined in singing "All Are Welcome." This annual meeting is the first event hosted here. The bishop thanked and praised those involved in "last minute" preparations for this meeting. Bishop Paup recognized the banners that each church brought to grace the Family Life Center.
Clergy new to the conference were introduced: Edith Greer, Dan Wander and Kathy Wilson. All first time lay and clergy delegates were recognized.
Guests and friends of the conference were greeted with a special welcome to the conference speaker, Rev. Dr. Leslie Griffith and his wife Margaret, from London, England.
Brenda Wingfield, conference secretary, set the bar of the conference and the roll call was based upon delegate registration.
Greetings from several other annual conferences were acknowledged.
Superintendent Dennis Holway reviewed the revised annual meeting agenda. Agenda approved.

**2004 Rules Report – Lonnie Brooks**
Proposed Change to Rule R5.1000, Administrative Unit.
Existing rule language:
MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION...There shall be nine (9) members with a minimum of three (3) laypersons and three (3) clergy. The members shall elect their own officers with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected at Annual Meeting.
Proposed changes:
MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION... There shall be ~~nine (9)~~ **twelve (12)** members ~~with a minimum of three (3) laypersons and three (3) clergy~~**, and it is recommended that one-third be clergy, one third laywomen, and one-third laymen, in accordance with the provisions of ¶ 2521.1. Among the twelve members, the AMC Superintendent and the AMC Treasurer shall serve as full voting members, except that if the Treasurer is a member of the paid staff of the AMC, the Treasurer shall serve as a member without vote.** The members shall elect their own officers ~~with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elect at Annual Meeting~~ **in accordance with ¶ 2512.2.**

**Judicial Council Decision**
Bishop Edward Paup stated that his decision of law related to the process of discontinuance of the St. Paul UMC, 2002, and the corresponding Judicial Council

decision will be an addendum to this Conference Journal. (It will be listed following the Daily Minutes.)

**Rules suspended**
The rules were suspended and a petition from First UMC, Fairbanks, was added to the list of petitions. It will become Petition # 8.

Delegates were then dismissed to attend either the Clergy or Laity Sessions.

Clergy Session. In the clergy session, Rev. Mark Conrad moved that the Professional Ministry Unit recommend that all local pastors currently appointed in the AMC be continued as local pastors. Motion supported.

**Friday Evening, May 30, 2003**
**Communion and Memorial Service**
**UMCC**

Following a dinner hosted by UMCC, delegates and guests gathered in the sanctuary for the Memorial Communion Service. Janell Hamilton, Robin Bassett, Rachel Runyan, and Dan Wanders sang "O For a Heart to Praise My God", by Charles Wesley. The text for the service came from Psalm 139. Bishop Paup's message was entitled "Dance, Then, Wherever You May Be," with response to his words in sacred dance by Jenny Beckett and Alisha Bailey. After receiving communion and remembering the saints that departed in the past year, the congregation sang "For All the Saints."

**Saturday, May 31**
**Morning session**
**UMCC**

**Opening – Time with Dr. Leslie Griffiths.** Dr. Griffiths reminded the conference to "...not look back over your shoulder..." but look forward to the future, as did John Wesley. He also charged us to be aware of the distance between our words and our actions.
(A word about our speaker. The Rev. Dr. Leslie Griffiths grew up and attended school and university in Wales. After training at Wesley House, Cambridge for the Methodist ministry, he spent nearly 10 years ministering in Haiti. Dr. Griffiths returned to UK in 1980 and since 1996 has been superintendent minister at Wesley's Chapel, London.)

**PLENARY SESSION # 1**
**Historical sketch.** The John Wesley players presented their interpretation of John and Charles Wesley coming to the New World, ca. 1735. John Tindell and Dick Heacock portrayed the Wesleys.

**General Conference 2004 delegation.**
Ballot # 1 cast.

**Conference Council on Finance and Administration (CCFA) – Arlene Wood**
Arlene Wood, chairperson, reported that nearly 97% of the 2002 apportionments were paid. Apportionment payment for 2003 is lagging, with only 8 churches up to date on apportionment payment.
In the past year, the AMC has received from the GBGM the deeds for 2 buildings at Trapper Creek and the building at the Hope Retreat Center. The CCFA will obtain insurance on these properties.
Arlene recognized the assistance of Bill Doan, assistant to the treasurer. Bill will leave the AMC in mid-September and Don Strait of the Rocky Mountain Annual Conference will become the interim financial assistant.
The 2004 budget was presented.

Ballot # 1 report – Laity, Lonnie Brooks, elected delegate to GC 2004. (First lay man elected from the AMC.)
Clergy – no election.

Ballot # 2 cast.

**Superintendent's Report**
Rachel Lieder Simeon gave the Superintendent's report. Report accepted.

Ballot # 2 report – Laity, Rose McLean elected delegate to Jurisdictional Conference and 1st reserve delegate to GC 2004.
Clergy – No election.

Ballot # 3 cast.

The conference recessed for lunch hosted and served by the UMCC.

**Saturday, May 31**
**Afternoon session**

**PLENARY SESSION # 2**
The afternoon session began with an historical sketch by the John Wesley players.

Ballot # 3 report – Laity – no election..
Clergy – no election.

Ballot # 4 cast.

**Administrative Unit Report – Lonnie Brooks**
**HealthFlex**
It is proposed that the participant's share of premiums be increased to $100.00 per month for 2004, consistent with the HealthFlex proposal adopted in 2001.
Family coverage under HealthFlex would be optional. Any participant who chooses family coverage will pay an additional $15.00 per month as part payment of premium, regardless of whether or not the participant is eligible for alternative family coverage. The local church will deduct all premium payments made by the participant from salary before taxes and remit the payments to the conference treasurer. If a pastor waives family coverage under HealthFlex, the pastor must attest to availability of an alternative

employer-sponsored group health insurance program with family coverage and provide the conference office with the name and address of the plan administrator. The waiver becomes effective when approved by the AMC superintendent. If waived, family coverage in HealthFlex may be reinstated at any time. If reinstatement occurs, payment of the premium for family coverage under HealthFlex will be shared by the pastor and the local church for the remainder of the calendar year, and will not result in a recalculation of the blended rate for the conference until January 1 of the following year.
The participant's co-pay will be 20%, and the annual out of pocket limit will be $3,000.00 for a covered individual and $6,000.00 for a covered family.

HealthFlex report approved.

**Commission on Equitable Compensation Report**

1. Minimum Salary for 2004 $31,000
2. Minimum cash base compensation will include
a. Cash Salary
b. Social Security Allowance
c. Tax Sheltered Annuity Contributions
d. The distribution of Minimum Salary among the items in a-c above shall be determined between the pastor and the charge.
3. Additions to Minimum Salary
a. Experience Factor—add $200 per service year from date of ordination as a Deacon
b. Area Cost of Living Adjustment—add the following amounts

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| i. | Anchorage | 0% |
| ii. | Fairbanks | 5% |
| iii. | Juneau | 5% |
| iv. | Kenai Peninsula | 5% (Note: Girdwood is included herein) |
| v. | Ketchikan | 5% |
| vi. | Nome | 35% |
| vii. | Sitka | 5% |
| viii. | Unalaska | 30% |
| ix. | Wasilla | 0% |
| x. | Willow | 5% |

4. Other Considerations
   a. A parsonage and full utilities or reasonable housing allowance shall be provided to pastors serving full-time appointments
   b. A local transportation allowance shall be provided to meet actual pastoral expenses in each situation
   c. A minimum of $1,000 for Continuing Education expenses shall be provided
5. Equitable Compensation Fund for 2004 $95,000
   a. To receive support from the Equitable Compensation Fund a church must have approval from the AMC Superintendent and the Commission on Equitable Compensation.
   b. No additions to the professional staff of a church receiving fund support may be made without the approval of the Commission and the Superintendent.
   c. Support from the fund is not available to any church that provides a compensation package exceeding the minimum for its location without the approval of the Commission and the Superintendent.
   d. The amount of support provided to any church from the fund will be negotiated among the charge, the Commission, and the Superintendent.

e. The Superintending Team will present annually to the Administrative Unit at its winter meeting in its capacity as the Commission on Equitable Compensation a plan developed by each charge in the AMC receiving support from the Equitable Compensation Fund. The plan will address at least the following questions:

i. Can this charge reasonably forecast a time when, to provide for its pastor, direct financial support from the AMC will not be required? If so, in what period of time can this be accomplished and what steps will be taken in order to bring this about?

ii. If this charge cannot forecast a time when Equitable Compensation Fund support will not be required to maintain a full time pastor, are there other viable options for ministry in this place that will allow a self supporting ministry, such as, but not limited to, merger of UM churches (2545), ecumenical shared ministry ( 207-211), or circuit or cooperative parish relationship with other UM churches ( 205.2)?

iii. If the forecast for this charge is that it will, for the foreseeable future, require support from the Equitable Compensation Fund to maintain a full time pastor, and no cooperative relationship is possible that will help, and a state of permanent financial dependency on the AMC is necessary and desirable, then the special circumstances of the charge that create this need and prevent financial independence shall be described in the plan.

Equitable compensation report approved.

**Board of Pensions Report**

1. Salary, for purposes of pension computation, shall be the sum of the following:
   a) Cash salary, including Social Security allowance.
   b) Housing allowance, or when parsonage is provided, 25% of the cash salary
   c) Tax deferred annuity contribution paid by the salary-paying unit
2. The Ministerial Pension Program (MPP) contribution rate for 2004 shall be 12% of the Denominational Average Compensation (DAC) or of the contribution base of each cleric under episcopal appointment in the AMC, full or part time, ordained or local pastor, whichever is less.
3. The Comprehensive Protection Program (CPP) contribution rate for 2004 shall be 4.4% of the contribution base of each full time cleric. For ordained clerics working less than full time, the contribution rate for 2004 shall be 3.4% of the Denominational Average Compensation (DAC).
4. Part time local pastors are not covered under CPP.
5. MPP and CPP shall be paid by the AMC from a fund established according to the formula in item 11 herein following which shall be apportioned to the churches of the AMC as recommended by the Conference Council on Finance and Administration and approved by the AMC.
6. All ordained clergy under episcopal appointment within the AMC and eligible for the AMC pension program shall be covered by the CPP, including those receiving less than equitable compensation.
7. An ordained cleric in an appointment beyond the local church is eligible to participate in the MPP/CPP plans. A cleric in a charge, institution, or agency who is unable to arrange participation directly with the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits may be covered through the AMC, provided the salary paying unit makes contributions to cover the actual cost of MPP/CPP for the individual.

8. Deacons, diaconal ministers, and other laics serving churches and related institutions within the Alaska Missionary Conference who are eligible to participate in the pension program of The United Methodist Church may be covered through the AMC, provided the salary paying unit makes contributions to cover the actual cost of MPP/CPP for the individual.
9. The Past Service Pension Rate (PSPR) for 2004 shall be $495.00 per service year. It is the intention of the board that the PSPR be no less than 0.9% of the Conference Average Compensation (CAC).
10. For pension recipients, the AMC may designate up to 100% of the pension payments to be allocated as housing allowance by the individual cleric. The amount may be excludable from income for federal income tax purposes.
11. There shall be no apportioning of pensions for 2004. Each charge to which a cleric is appointed shall be responsible to remit payments to the AMC as it is billed by the AMC Treasurer or by the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits for the full amount of the pension obligation of the charge.
12. Appointment to a fellowship, as opposed to an organized church, will have no effect on eligibility of an appointee for the accrual of pension benefits as herein provided

**The Board of Pensions report was adopted with the following amendment to the above # 11: Pensions shall be directly billed and apportioned as follows: 2004, 1/3 of pension payment will be directly billed to each AMC church, 2/3 apportioned; 2005, 2/3 of pension payment will be directly billed to each AMC church, 1/3 apportioned; 2006, 100% of pension payment will be directly billed to each AMC church. In years 2004 and 2005, the actual pension costs will be supplied to each church in the AMC.**

The following proposed action was submitted:
In its capacity as the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC), the Administrative Unit recommends the following plan of action:

1. That the AMC expresses its intent to move its headquarters in a timely manner to a different location from where it is now located at 3402 Wesleyan Drive in Anchorage, Alaska.
2. That the AMC requests that the bishop appoint a task force, to be called the Conference Center Task Force, to consist of a representative group of no fewer that five and no more that ten members to work during the year to determine the following:
   - The needs of the AMC for office space, working space, storage space for records, files and archives, residential quarters for the bishop while present in Alaska, space for transient personnel present on the business of the conference or the business of other bodies associated with The UMC.
   - The best alternative for meeting the needs of the AMC for a Conference Center considering requirements, costs, and budgets.
3. That the AMC requests that the Conference Center Task Force be directed to report to the AMC at its 2004 Annual Meeting with a recommendation for completing a move into a new Conference Center not later than 31Dec04, unless the recommendation involves construction of a new facility, in which case every effort should be made to complete the move no later than 31Dec05.

Action approved.

Ballot # 4 report – Laity, JoAnne Hayden elected 1st reserve Jurisdictional delegate, 2nd reserve General Conference delegate.
Clergy, Rachel Lieder Simeon, General Conference delegate. (Historically, first clergywoman elected from the AMC to General Conference.)

Ballot # 5 cast.

Conference recessed for an afternoon break.

Ballot # 5 report – Laity, Susan Smalley elected 2nd reserve Jurisdictional delegate, 3rd reserve General Conference delegate.
Clergy, John Campbell elected Jurisdictional delegate, 1st reserve General Conference delegate.

Ballot # 6 cast.

**Lay Leader address – Susan Smalley**
Ms. Smalley told of her journey this past year through treatment for breast cancer. She found "signs" at various places, signs that instructed her to slow down and enjoy life. Some of these signs included a stop at the Tesoro station in Girdwood, stopping for road construction and reading or writing during this pause, and her graduation gift of her "foam nest" from radiation treatment. Susan encouraged all of us to look for signs that make life beautiful.

Ballot # 6 report – Laity. The election was concluded with the election of Susan Smalley as 2nd reserve delegate.
Clergy, no election.

Ballot # 7 cast.

Jennifer Beckett, a junior at United Methodist-related Florida Southern College was introduced. She has been chosen by the United Methodist Council of Bishops to serve on the National Council of Churches (NCC) for the 2004-2008 term. The NCC represents the leadership of the major Protestant denominations in the United States. A member of her home conference, Alaska Missionary, nominated Beckett, a religion major at the Lakeland, Fla., school.

**Conference Coordinating Council – Dale Kelley**
For the Alaska Missionary Conference Coordinating Council (CCC), this has been a year of growth and long range planning, guided, we pray, by the Holy Spirit as new ideas and enthusiasm continue to emerge.
The CCC experienced something this year that was last done in 1987. In February we participated in a Visioning Retreat at Birchwood Camp. GBOD staff members Rev. Susan Ruach and Mr. Bill Crenshaw provided excellent leadership. The event opened with a devotional that explored our individual and collective AMC faith journeys in terms of what things along the way have served as stumbling blocks and/or as steppingstones – learning from the past as we move with hope and enthusiasm into the future.
The following mission statement was developed and is presented at this 2003 Annual Meeting:

> "The Mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Held and supported by the transforming relationship with God through Christ, we of the Alaska Missionary Conference seek to be a community that creates a home for

all peoples, finds our hope through grace and journeys together into God's preferred future."

Emphases:

1. Effective ministry with ethnic cultures
2. Hospitality
3. Leadership training, especially for laity (and validation)
4. Developing solid and equitable funding
5. All congregations vital and healthy.

Motion to accept the above mission statement supported.

The proposed missional priority for 2003-2004 is outreach and relief to the children of Iraq. Motion to accept, supported. Superintendent Dennis Holway reported the process by which missional priorities shall be recommended and selected. The process will include that each regional program council will submit a recommendation of a project to CCC prior to the winter meetings.

Ballot # 7 report – Laity, no election.
Clergy, no election.

Ballot # 8 cast.

**Petitions**

Petition # 1: To adopt the resolution on Open Table in its entirety. Petition supported.

Ballot # 8 report: Clergy – Dennis Holway elected 1st reserve delegate to Jurisdictional and 2nd reserve delegate to General Conference.

Ballot # 9 cast.

Petition # 2: Action for Wellness and Healing for our Present & Future Generations of Saint Lawrence Island Yup'ik People. This petition calls for the military to be accountable for the responsible cleanup of formerly used military sites on Saint Lawrence Island, and for an apology from the Secretary of Defense for the damage and suffering caused by the military occupation. Petition supported.

Ballot # 9 report: Clergy – no election.

Ballot # 10 cast.

Petition # 3: International Mine Ban Treaty. This petition asks AMC churches annually recognize December 3, anniversary date of the International Mine Ban Treaty's opening for signatures, until the Treaty is ratified by the U.S.A. Petition supported.

Petition # 4: Clergy Affiliate Membership in Missionary Conference. This petition will be referred to General Conference as it requests changes in the Book of Discipline, specifically ¶¶ 335.1.c), 337.1, & 559.4.b). Petition supported.

Petition # 5: Modify ¶¶ 32, 33, & 34 on General Conference & Jurisdictional Conference Delegate Election. (Discussion on this petition tabled until Monday, June 2.)

Ballot # 10 report: Clergy – no election.

Ballot # 11 cast.

Conference in recess.

**Saturday Evening**
**May 31, 2003**

The Turnagain UMC Samoan Congregation hosted a banquet of traditional Samoan foods in UMCC's Family Life Center. After dining, the Samoans entertained the delegates and guests with traditional dancing. After the festivities, the following were recognized: Arlene Brovald, recipient of the Harry Denman award; Brenda Wingfield, ordination as a deacon in the OR-ID Conference; and Bill Doan, for his service as financial assistant for the past 8 years. Diana Hearn, Greg Lindsay and Sang Ho Yi received farewells and blessings as they travel to new appointments; Mark Born, for his service at St. Peter the Fisherman, Ninilchik; Doug Lindsay-Hudgins, for his service at FUMC, Anchorage and in his new employment as a counselor; and Duane Chase, in his retirement. Bonnie Curtis received a special recognition for her service as administrative assistant to the AMC. Bonnie will retire as of July 1, 2003 and received a cash gift and a special edition of the Aurora Witness published for the occasion of her retirement. Bonnie gave a gift to the conference – she and Bill Doan sang a duet they had written.

**Sunday, June 1**
**Afternoon session**
**First UMC, Anchorage**

**PLENARY SESSION # 3**
The conference reconvened at 3:15 PM in the sanctuary of First UMC, Anchorage.

Ballot # 11 report – Bruce Case elected 2nd reserve delegate to Jurisdictional, 3rd reserve delegate to General
Conference. The delegation is complete.
Lay delegates, in order of election: Lonnie Brooks, Rose McLean, JoAnne Hayden and Susan Smalley.
Clergy delegates, in order of election: Rachel Lieder Simeon, John Campbell, Dennis Holway
and J. Bruce Case.

A memorial moment was held for Floyd Melvin Barton, Eagle River Camp caretaker. Floyd died April 12, 2003, at the camp.

Hope Retreat Center board member Betty Burke received a plaque with Bertha McGee's picture and biography. It will be displayed at Hope Retreat Center.

Bishop Paup announced the members of the Conference Center Task Force: Dave Beckett, chair; Susan Bickman, Dale Kelley, Lucy Barton, Mark Conrad and Judy Shoup, members.

**Statistician's Report – Lonnie Brooks**
Report accepted. A request was made for the age and gender make-up of the churches of the AMC.

**Communications Committee**
Randy McCurdy, chair, gave the Communications Committee report.

Report accepted.

**New Ministries Committee**
Bruce Case reported for the New Ministries Committee.

Report accepted.

**Professional Ministry Unit**
Mark Conrad presented the report of the Professional Ministry Unit.

Report accepted.

Request from the conference to PMU to contact each AMC congregation and seek information concerning congregational ethics, particularly related to the safety of children when children attend activities in AMC churches.

**Ministerial Education Fund – Jim Doepken**
The Ministerial Education Fund (MEF) saw another successful year of sending those in the professional ministry to events around the country; large conference, personal study, course of study.
The MEF provides $250.00 per year for deacons, elders, local pastors and others who are appointed or certified. These funds are not meant to take the place of the funding from the local congregation. It is only meant to supplement local funding. The MEF is a way for the AMC to support the education of its professional ministers.

Report accepted.

**Native Ministry Committee – Kay Shock**
Kay Shock presented the report of the Native Ministry Committee.

Report accepted.

Conference in recess.

**Sunday, June 1**
**7:00 PM, Pan-Methodist Celebration**
**First UMC, Anchorage**

Delegates, guests from the African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal Zion and Christian Methodist Episcopal churches, and many members of the AMC gathered at First UMC, Anchorage, for a Pan-Methodist gathering that celebrated the conference theme of "In the Wesleyan Spirit." St. John UMC Liturgical Dancers presented the introit, followed by congregational singing of many Charles Wesley hymns accompanied by organist
Janet Carr-Campbell. Bishop Edward Paup led a Litany of Repentance from a gathering of Pan-Methodist Bishops, who met in Atlanta GA this past spring. Rulonda Watson,

local recording artist, gifted the congregation with several gospel songs. A choir of members from the UMC's of the Anchorage area sang three anthems based on Charles Wesley's O For a Heart to Praise My God, Come O Thou Traveler Unknown, and And Can It Be, directed by David Hagen, First UMC, Anchorage, choir director. The preacher for the evening was The Rev. Dr. Leslie Griffiths. Following the celebration, attendees shared fellowship and refreshments hosted by the Anchorage College Ministry.

**Monday, June 2**
**Morning session**
**UMC of Chugiak**

Monday morning began with "Time with Leslie Griffiths," who spoke on the Transfiguration and contemporary culture.

**PLENARY SESSION # 4**
Bishop Paup re-convened the conference at 10:25 AM.

**Campus Ministry Report**
Greg Kimura, chaplain, gave the University Campus Ministry report. Both Campus Ministry and the chaplain were recognized at APU's Honors Assembly. Campus Ministry won the University Club of the Year award for 2002-03. The chaplain won the University Club Advisor of the Year award for 2002-03.

Report accepted.

Chuck Young, retired and former campus minister, reminded the conference that churches need to send the names of their college students to campus ministries.

Bishop Paup extended a "thank-you" to Birchwood Camp for the hospitality extended to those members of the conference staying at that facility. He also recognized Dorie McCormick, Cokesbury representative in charge of the Cokesbury conference display and bookstore. Ms. McCormick in turn presented Bishop Paup with a check from Cokesbury for $559.02 for the Pension Fund.

**Alaska Children's Services**
Kelli Williams, Alaska Children's Services (ACS), reported that Father Stephen Lowery, Associate Pastor at St. Johns in Eagle River, is the new chaplain for ACS. She reminded us that they now have an additional office on Northern Lights Boulevard.

**Petitions – resumed**
Petition # 5
Petition # 5 was removed from the table and presented for continued discussion before the conference.
This petition proposes changes to the Book of Discipline, ¶¶ 32,33, & 34. The enacting of this proposed change will provide that all members of the annual, missionary and provisional conferences will vote for all delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conferences, while preserving the current categories of lay and clergy service in equal numbers.

Petition supported.

Petition # 6
Motion to withdraw this petition supported.

Petition # 7
Proposed Resolution of Support of the Continuance and Expansion of Igniting Ministry. Resolved, that the Alaska Missionary Conference requests that the 2004 General Conference support the funding of the continuation and expansion of the Igniting Ministry Campaign.

Petition supported.

Petition # 8
Continuance of the National Committee on Ministries with Deaf, Late Deafened, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf-Blind People. A petition to the 2004 General Conference to authorize an allocation of $350,000 in the 2005-2008 Quadrennium for the afore mentioned national committee to continue its work through awareness events, grants, publications and other God-guided ways.

Petition supported.

Petition # 9
Resisting future efforts to legalize expanded gambling in Alaska. The AMC takes a strong stand in opposition to all legislative efforts to legalize electronic gaming machines (slot machines), a state lottery, or any other form of gambling in the hope of raising revenues.

Petition supported with a unanimous vote.

**Council on Finance and Administration – Arlene Wood**
Arlene Wood, chairperson, reported that $1,305 for Gulfside Assembly, in Mississippi, was collected at the Sunday, June 1 Pan-Methodist Celebration.
Recommendations:

1. Yearly requests for the funding from the AMC budget shall be submitted to the AMC-CF&A prior to the AMC winter meetings. Requests for the 2005 budget shall be made no later that 28 calendar days prior to the first day of those meetings in 2004.
2. The apportionment grade figure used to determine local church apportionments will be the average over a three-year period of one-third of the membership grade figure and two-thirds of the local church expense. The 2004 grade point figure will be based on the statistics recorded in the 2001, 2002, and 2003 Journals of the Alaska Missionary Conference.
    a. The membership grade figure is the individual church full membership divided by the total AMC full membership at the end of the year.
    b. The local expense grade figure is the individual local church expenditures of the churches of the AMC. Local church expenditures include clergy support (plus 25% of the pastor's salary as established by the Charge/Church Conference if the pastor is provided a parsonage) and all other church expenses excluding:
        i. Rent payment for church facilities
        ii. Principle and interest paid on indebtedness

iii. Payments on building improvements
iv. Non-apportioned benevolences paid by the local church

c. Pension apportionments will be based on the Administrative Unit recommendation.

3. All churches are strongly encouraged to pay their apportionments in 10 equal installments beginning in January and ending in October.
4. Apportionments for new churches will be scheduled following their charter according to this formula:
   a. Year One: No apportionments
   b. Year Two: 1/3 of regular apportionments
   c. Year Three: 2/3 of regular apportionments
   d. Year Four: Full apportionments
5. At the end of each fiscal year the account balances revert as follows:
   a. Connectional Clergy Support Fund to General Administration/Operations Reserves Fund
   b. Pension Fund to Pension Reserve Fund
   c. All other line items to General Operations Reserve Fund
6. The following fund balances do not revert at the end of the year.
   a. Office Equipment Replacement Fund
   b. Wesleyan House Operations
   c. Audit
   d. Alaska Christian Conference Travel (up to $500 unused annually)
   e. Conference Treasurer Annual Meeting Travel
   f. General Conference Delegate Expenses
   g. Pension Subsidy Fund
7. All persons traveling for the AMC meetings of committees, commissions and for the Annual Meeting are expected to travel at the lowest possible fare, including advanced ticket purchases, partnership tickets and PFD tickets when available. While the use of the conference travel agent is available to all persons traveling on AMC business persons are encouraged to do their won research and purchasing of tickets in order to find the lowest possible fare, submitting the receipt to the conference office for reimbursement. Any fare submitted for reimbursement that is deemed by the Financial Assistant or Treasurer not to be the lowest possible fare will be reimbursed only to the point of the lowest possible fare.
8. The following have been designated as AMC Advance Specials:
   a. Alaska Children's Services
   b. Alaska Pacific University
   c. Birchwood Camp
   d. Eagle River Camp
   e. Nome Community Center
   f. Wesley Rehabilitation Center (Seward)

   All members of the AMC are strongly encouraged to bring to the attention of United Methodists in Alaska these opportunities for giving.
9. An Emergency Maintenance Loan Fund was established by action of the 1996 Annual Meeting of the AMC for loans to local churches for emergency assistance with property, under policies developed by the Board of Trustees/Administrative Unit.

<u>Items for Action by the 2003 AMC Annual Meeting</u>

1. The total salary subsidy for 2004 will be $70,000.00
2. The pension subsidy for 2004 will be $15,000.00
3. The total 2004 budget of the AMC will be $665,122.00

4. The total apportionments for the year 2004 will be $620,122.00

The budget was presented. Motion to suspend the rules, supported. Motion to return the budgeted amount for the W/J VIM coordinator to $1,500.00, supported. Amended budget approved. Recommendations from CF&A approved.

**Nominations Committee**
Superintendent Dennis Holway presented the report of additional personnel to the following committees:

Administrative Unit
Lauren Stanton (03, SE), KIM POOLE (03, SE), JOHN CAMPBELL (03, N); bylaw change to add Conference Treasurer and Superintendent assigned, both with vote.
Conference Council on Finance and Administration
Linda Dunham (03, SC), Bonnie Curtis (03, SC)
Professional Ministries Unit
JoAnne Hayden (03, SC)
Communications Committee
Chris Brooks (03, SC)
Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee
Kim Beckett (03, SC), Roy Shapley (03, K)
New Ministries Committee
BRUCE CASE, chair (03, N), BONNIE CAMPBELL (03, N), Fran Lynch (N)
Outdoor Ministries Committee
VICKI HORN, (03, K)
Conference Council on Youth Ministries
TBS, in collaboration with CCC

Motion to accept report, supported.

**2004 Annual Meeting**
Invitations for Annual Meeting 2004 were extended from Anchor Park UMC; First UMC, Anchorage; and St. John UMC. Proposed dates are May 28 – 30, 2004.

Brenda Wingfield, conference secretary, moved that the 32nd Session of The Alaska Missionary Conference of The United Methodist Church be adjourned after the Service of Commissioning and Reading of Appointments. Motion supported.

**Monday, June 2**
**Afternoon session**
**UMCC**

Before entering into worship, Bishop Paup gave an update on the work of the General Council of Ministries. They are currently studying different ways for The UMC to engage in mission and ministry. One proposal has 4 major boards, GBGM, GBOD, GBHEM, and GBCS, with all other commissions and agencies to be included in one of these boards. The discussion and proposals have created a "thunderstorm" within the denomination.

Bishop Paup also gave an update on the St. Paul situation. At this time, the trial date for The Board of Trustees of The Alaska Missionary Conference of The United Methodist Church vs. St. Paul UMC et al is June 2, 2004, in Fairbanks, Alaska.

**Commissioning Service and Reading of Appointments**

After lunch served by the UMCC, delegates and guests gathered in the sanctuary for the closing worship. Bishop Paup and Superintendents Rachel Lieder Simeon, Monte Baker and Dennis Holway read the appointments. The bishop and superintendents commissioned each elder, deacon, diaconal minister and deaconess for ministry in Alaska and each received the Alaska cross. The cross, designed by David Fison, is fashioned after Fison's Easter Totem, cast in metal and adhered to a cross of birch. The service closed with the Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition and the hymn, "I Will Trust in the Lord."

## B. Bishop Paup's Response to Questions of Law

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January 15, 2003

Dear Members of the Judicial Council:

In MEMORANDUM NO. 948 of the Judicial Council dated October 25,2002, I was directed to answer the questions posed to me in the 2002 annual session of the Alaska Missionary Conference, submit them as an addendum item to the conference journal and forward the answers to the Judicial Council within ninety days of the publication of this decision.

Following are the questions as presented to me and my answers to them. I respectfully ask you to reconsider a portion of your analysis and rationale. You indicate in the statement of facts that I determined that the queries were not questions of law but were formulated as requests for declaratory decision. In fact, while I did not believe that the queries were formed appropriately to be considered as questions of law, neither did I suggest that they were formulated as requests for declaratory decisions. I did, however, offer the conference the opportunity to formally make a request for declaratory decision, but the conference did not make such a request.

I respectfully ask you to reconsider your statement: "There are no procedural provisions within parliamentary procedure or church law which allow bishops to interpret whether a matter is a question of law or fits within the category of a request for a declaratory decision." In Memorandum No. 912 on item #3, Bishop McCleskey ruled, "This question is moot because it is improperly stated as a request for a decision of law when it is in fact a request for a declaratory decision against which the letter in question can be measured." The bishop's rationale was stated as, "The matter of 'legal intent' of a paragraph in The Book of Discipline is actually a matter of a declaratory decision. . ." The Judicial Council's decision was, "The bishop's decision is affirmed based on the rationale stated above."

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely, in Christ,
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**Questions of Law:** While I am providing answers to the questions of law as directed, in the interest of truth I am also including the facts in the case under discussion. This will address assumptions in the questions which are not true.

**Question of Law No. 1- Discipline ¶2548.2-Discontinuance, ¶213-Assessment, ¶201-¶204 -Organized and Incorporated**

**a)** Can a regional Superintendent, namely Rev. Lieder Simeon, bring a recommendation of discontinuance of St. Paul United Methodist Church of Fairbanks, Alaska, without following the prescribed directions of General Conference as defined in ¶2548.2-Discontinuance?

All of ¶2548.2 must be understood as being conditioned by ¶2548.2.c. which says, "If the annual conference declares any local church discontinued, the failure to complete any of the prior steps will not invalidate such discontinuance."

This has the unavoidable effect of rendering all steps in the process of discontinuance of a local church to be normative but not essential to the validity of the discontinuance since the decision of whether or not a church is to be discontinued rests with, and only with, the annual conference. For this purpose a missionary conference has the full power and authority of an annual conference (¶559).

Therefore, not only can a district superintendent bring a recommendation to an annual conference to discontinue a local church without following the recommended procedure of ¶2548.2, if any member of the conference were to petition the conference to close a church without following any procedure other than those prescribed for presenting petitions or motions, and if the annual conference then carried the motion, the church would be discontinued.

This fact notwithstanding, however, a superintendent should follow the provisions of ¶2548.2 as closely as possible.

In the case under discussion, the procedures in ¶2548.2 were rigorously followed by the superintendent. The superintendent repeatedly counseled St. Paul United Methodist Church on its responsibilities, duties, and opportunities. She recommended resources to the congregation for aiding in the process of assessment and renewal. She identified the internal problems with which the church was laboring and determined that the specifics of the assessment process of ¶213, which relates in its entirety to churches with difficult and troubling external circumstances, did not apply to the St. Paul situation.

The superintendent assisted the bishop in arranging for an interim pastor skilled in addressing crisis. She sought the advice and counsel of pastors who had served the church in the past. When all her efforts failed to resolve the internal conflicts and to convince the leadership to adhere to United Methodist polity and procedures, the superintendent brought a recommendation for discontinuance to the board of church location and building, as recommended in ¶2548.2.a. The superintendent's recommendation included a discussion of the options for disposition of the property and the membership as provided in ¶2548.2.a, and she obtained the "consent of the presiding bishop and of a majority of the district superintendents."

Since no superintendent failed to follow "the prescribed directions of General Conference as defined in ¶2548.2-Discontinuance" as is stated in the question, the question is based on a situation that never existed. This is why in my original ruling on this matter I found this question to be hypothetical and not a proper question of law under Judicial Council Decision #799.

**b)** Can a Bishop and Cabinet recommend discontinuance on the basis that a local church no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized and incorporated, ¶201-204, without communicating specifically to the local church how it no longer serves the purpose as defined in ¶201-204?

The answer provided for Question 1.a. serves for this question as well. Paragraph 2548.2.c. renders all procedures described in preceding sections of ¶2548 to be normative but not essential to the validity of discontinuance.

Whereas there is no specific requirement in ¶2548 that a local church be informed in what manner it no longer serves the purposes described in ¶201-204, ¶203 specifies that a United Methodist church is required to be subject to the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church. In the case under discussion, the superintendent repeatedly, and in detail, communicated to St. Paul UMC the ways in which it was not in compliance with the *Discipline.*

But since I have been directed by the Judicial Council to make a ruling of law on this question even if it is hypothetical, this is my ruling: A local church should be informed in a timely way about recommendations for discontinuance, and why it is believed it no longer serves the purposes defined in ¶201-204.

**Question of Law No. 2-Discipline 604.14-Closed Sessions**

**a) Can** the "discontinuance" of St. Paul UMC, Fairbanks, Alaska, be discussed and planned in a closed meeting, as defined in 604.14, of the Cabinet or the Administrative Unit of the Alaska Missionary Conference in Anchorage?

Since ¶604.14 specifically provides an exception for "personnel matters" and "real estate matters," and since the discussion related to St. Paul UMC involved these matters, the discussion of the Cabinet could properly be held in closed session. Since ¶604.14 specifically provides an exception for "real estate matters" and "litigation," and since the discussion related to St. Paul UMC involved these matters, the discussion of the Administrative Unit could properly be held in closed session.

Meetings of the Cabinet of the Alaska Missionary Conference normally involve discussion of personnel. When the discussion involved the recommendation to discontinue St. Paul UMC, because the discussion involved matters of personnel and real estate, as provided in ¶604.14, the session of the Cabinet was properly closed.

On February 8, 2002, the superintendent presented to the Administrative Unit of the Alaska Missionary Conference her recommendation for the discontinuance of St. Paul United Methodist Church. The discussion which followed in that body, which serves as the board of church location and building, was unavoidably related to real estate, as described in ¶2548.2, and was predicted to involve litigation and a discussion of options for such litigation. As provided in ¶604.14, the results of the closed session were reported as soon as practicable following the meeting. Legal action was initiated by certain members of St. Paul UMC, as predicted by the Administrative Unit, immediately prior to the annual meeting of the Alaska Missionary Conference at which the motion to discontinue the church was entered.

**b)** Can the Cabinet and Administrative Unit of the Alaska Missionary Conference deny St. Paul UMC, Fairbanks, Alaska, the minutes or information shared at the closed session, as defined in ¶604.4, at which St. Paul's "discontinuance" (sic) was decided?

There surely is a typographical error in this question since ¶604.4 does not relate to closed sessions of bodies of an annual conference. If the questioner intended to make reference to ¶604.14, that paragraph provides that documents of open meetings must be public, necessarily implying that documents of closed sessions are not required to be public, even though a report of the closed session is to be made.

Documents from the properly closed session of the Administrative Unit with its discussions of real estate matters and probable litigation that were integrally related to and inextricable from the question of discontinuance are themselves properly closed. By the same reasoning, any documents produced in the closed sessions of the Cabinet are properly closed.

A proper reporting of the meetings was, in fact, provided in person to the St. Paul UMC in a meeting held by the Cabinet and the bishop at the church in Fairbanks on March 12, 2002.

The question contains a significant error of fact in that the discontinuance of St. Paul UMC was not decided in a closed session of either the Cabinet or the Administrative Unit of the conference, but in an open session of the Alaska Missionary Conference.

In that session of the conference the proposal to discontinue St. Paul UMC was carried by a nearly unanimous vote of 61 to 1. However, since I have been directed to answer this question, my ruling is as follows: Any documents, including minutes, developed or discussed in a properly closed session of either the cabinet or administrative unit relating to the property of a local church under consideration for discontinuance need not be shared with the local church, especially when litigation against the annual conference by members of the church is considered to be imminent, but a report of any such proposed action should be by the conference officials to the local church in a timely way.

**Question of Law No. 3-Constitution: Part I/Division One Paragraph 4, Article 4-** Inclusiveness of the Church; ¶138-The Mission and Ministry of the Church, Section VI-Called to Inclusiveness; ¶242 b-Seeking Inclusiveness

Can the regional superintendent, Rev. Lieder Simeon, the Cabinet, and the Administrative Unit of the Alaska Missionary Conference "discontinue" a church, St. Paul UMC, Fairbanks, Alaska, because it refuses to exclude certain persons from leadership?

This question does not relate to the portions of The Book of Discipline cited. In United Methodist polity only an annual conference has authority to discontinue a church (¶2548.2). Therefore, no superintendent, Cabinet, or conference body other than the conference itself can effect such action.

Only the Alaska Missionary Conference itself (the "basic body in the Church"; Constitution¶31) can discontinue a local church (¶2548.2). The judgment that a local church "no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized and incorporated" (¶2548.2) is solely the province of the annual conference itself.
By a vote of 61 to 1 of the Alaska Missionary Conference on May 30,2002, St. Paul UMC was discontinued. The decision was made after exhaustive debate with everyone who wished to

speak given the opportunity including members of St. Paul UMC supporting the action as well as members of St. Paul UMC opposing the action.

In sum, the answer to this question is, "No." The superintendent, cabinet, and/or the Administrative Unit of the Alaska Missionary Conference have no authority to discontinue the St. Paul UMC or any other local church for any reason. Only the Alaska Missionary Conference itself can do this.

Members of the Judicial Council, this report is my prayerful response to your direction to me in your **Memorandum No. 948**. It has been prepared in consultation with many persons, and I earnestly trust that it will be affirmed by you.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward W. Paup
Bishop
Alaska Missionary Conference

January 15, 2003

## C. Disciplinary Questions

The answers to these questions are on file with the conference Secretary. Most of the information is contained in other parts of the journal.

## D. Appointments
## Conference Year 2003 – 2004

**Code:**

Full Elder – FE
Full-time Local Pastor – FL
Deacon in Full Connection – FD
Diaconal Minister – DM
Less than fulltime - *
Other Denomination – OD
Probationary Elder – PE
Part-time Local Pastor – PLP
Retired Elder – RE
Associate Member, Deacon – AMD

| Church/Charge | Minister | Year |
|---|---|---|
| Superintendent and Pastor of Turnagain UMC | | |
| | Dennis B. Holway FE | 5 |
| Superintendent and Pastor of UMC of Chugiak | | |
| | Rachel M. Lieder Simeon FE | 5 |
| Superintendent and Pastor of Anchor Park | | |
| | Monte Baker FE | 3 |
| Anchorage: | | |
| Anchor Park UMC | Monte Baker FE | 5 |
| East Anchorage UMC | Susan Knight FE | 2 |
| First UMC | Debra Lindsay-Hudgins FE | 4 |
| Jewel Lake Parish | James Shock FE* | 3 |
| | Lauren Kay Shock FE* | 3 |
| Korean UMC | TBS | |
| St. John UMC | David Beckett FE | 5 |
| | J. Rose McLean DM | 17 |
| Turnagain UMC | James Campbell FE | 1 |
| Samoan Fellowship | Sailitai Maga PLP | 8 |
| UMC of Chugiak | Rachel Lieder Simeon FE | 11 |
| Adjunct Pastor | Daniel Wanders RE | 1 |
| Douglas: | | |
| Douglas Community UMC | | |
| | C. Ronald Covey FE | 4 |
| Fairbanks: | | |
| First UMC | John Campbell FE | 3 |
| | Bonnie Campbell AMD | 3 |
| Girdwood: | | |
| Girdwood Chapel | James Doepken FE | 4 |
| Homer | | |
| Homer UMC | Daniel Lush FE | 4 |
| Juneau: | | |
| Aldersgate UMC | Thomas Dahl FE | 4 |
| Northern Light | TBS | |

Kenai:
UMC of the New Covenant
Jon Walters FE 4
Ketchikan:
First UMC Jeri Bishop FE 2
Ninilchik:
St. Peter the Fisherman
Julie Wasser PLP 1
Nome:
Community UMC Lucile Barton FE 5
North Kenai:
North Star UMC John R. Henry FE 6
North Pole:
New Hope Methodist Presbyterian
Curtis E. Karns OD 11
Seward:
Seward Memorial UMC/Moose Pass UMC
Vicki Horn FE 1
Sitka:
UMC of Sitka Joe S. Hubbard FE 3
Soldotna:
Soldotna UMC Dale R. Kelley OD 5
Trapper Creek Fellowship
TBS
Unalaska:
Unalaska UMC Kathy Wilson FE 2
Wasilla:
Christ First Mark C. Conrad FE 7
Strategic Associate J. Bruce Case, Jr. FE 3
Willow:
Willow UMC Stephen D. Eldred FE 3

**Extension Appointments**
AMC Administrative Assistant Brenda Wingfield FD 1
AMC Interim Fiscal Officer Don Strait RE 1

**Deaconess**
Willow/Anvik/Grayling Church & Community Worker
Fran Lynch 7

**Lay Home Missionaries at large, (pre 1988)**
Patricia Wise

**Commissioned Spouses of Active Clergy**
Kim Beckett Julie Doepken
Marion Baker Gail Dahl
Maggie Campbell Mary Henry
Nina Conrad Mark Haines Simeon
Judy Covey Mary Glynn Walters

**Non-Appointed Missionaries serving in Alaska**
Birchwood Camp – David and Kimberly Jo Kobersmith
Russian Native Ministry – Della Waghiyi

The Rev. Dr. Leslie Griffiths, our guest speaker.

The AMC 2004 General & Jurisdictional Conferences delegation: Dennis Holway, Susie Smalley, Lonnie Brooks, Rachel Lieder Simeon, John Campbell, Rose McLean, JoAnne Hughes, Bruce Case.

## V. REPORTS TO THE CONFERENCE

### A. Conference Coordinating Council – Dale Kelley

See page 28 for report.

**1. Kenai Peninsula Regional Program Council – Duane Chase**

The main program emphasis of the Kenai Regional Program Council (KPRC) this past year has been youth ministries. Twenty youth from the peninsula met overnight November 15 – 16 at Soldotna UMC for fellowship and discussions on the topic of leadership. All who attended expressed a strong desire for another event, date pending. Also, a vanload of central peninsula youth from Homer, Nikiski, and Soldotna attended Snow Camp 2002 at Birchwood, thanks to the efforts of Dan Lush.

The KPRC continues to show interest in laity training, but the precise nature of this support awaits further discussion. Interest and support for the upgrading of the Hope Retreat Center remains strong, and the clergy of the KRPC continue to meet monthly for mutual support and fellowship. Meetings are normally held in Soldotna to accommodate travel from Homer, Seward, Ninilchik and Nikiski.

Election of new officers is pending Duane Chase's retirement at Annual Meeting 2003. In accordance with Conference policy, priority will be given to a layperson filling the position of chair.

**2. Northern Regional Program Council – Mark Conrad**

The NRPC has two face-to-face meetings a year: one of these opportunities is at Annual Meeting, and the other is a weekend retreat. E-mail is a communication tool that simplifies our work. We try to address issues that affect our churches, and look for ways to help support our pastors and delegates at each of the churches. We understand that our role is not just to address issues and create programs, but also to establish relationships. Our churches are spread out, and in some cases – like Nome – are in isolation from other United Methodist Churches. We want to help pastors to know that they are connected, and are not in ministry alone.

**3. South Central Regional Program Council – Dave Beckett**

Our council enjoyed an active year of cooperative ministry. The Lay School of Theology brought 60 participants for study in September. Other regions were represented, especially the Kenai with 9 people attending from Homer UMC. Also in September we held a 9/11 service of remembrance at Kincaid Park with 150 in attendance. We sponsored the Youth Lock In with about 180 attending. A Faith We Sing hymn sing was held at Anchor Park in February with a full house. The Confirmation Retreat at Birchwood was inspirational to the youth and adults who participated. In January some of our churches hosted Mary Kelley, missionary to Tonga. Our council will sponsor a new summer college ministry in 2003. We have hired Jenny Beckett, a candidate for ministry from St. John, to lead this new ministry.

### B. Administrative Unit – Lonnie Brooks

For report, see page 22 for Rules Report, and pages 24 for remainder of report.

### C. Council on Finance and Administration – Arlene Wood

For report, see page 33.

### D. Professional Ministry Unit – Mark Conrad

Last year the AMC established a relationship with the Oregon/Idaho Annual Conference that allows us to operate as a District Committee on Ordination for their conference. This creates one established avenue for Alaskan United Methodists who want to pursue ordination. We are

working to find ways to effectively fill this new role for the PMU. Part of our work is to help pastors to know what to do when a member initially inquires about ordination, and to have the resources available for them to guide called members towards becoming declared candidates for ministry. Once a person is a declared candidate, the PMU works with the individual to make sure that all requirements are filled, and we help to prepare them to interview with the Board of Ordained Ministry (BOM) of the OR/ID Annual Conference. Separate from our work with the OR/ID Annual Conference is our responsibility for local pastors serving in the AMC. Local pastors are members of the conference in which they serve, and are not eligible for extension ministries. The PMU interviews and makes recommendations on, every person seeking to be a local pastor in the AMC. We also interview current local pastors, and try to provide positive support for them. We continue to work on establishing a mentoring program for local pastors.
Other responsibilities include: new pastor orientation; sexual ethics courses; Clergy/Spouse/Professional Church Workers' Retreat; the Superintendency Committee; and campus ministries.

**1. Registrar – Rose McLean**
At the winter meetings, PMU interviewed local pastors, Marc Born, St. Peter the Fisherman, Julie Wasser, Trapper Creek, and Sailitai Maga, Samoan fellowship, according to Disciplinary requirements. Others interviewed were Edith Greer and Wally Klinglehut who are currently involved in lay ministries in Fairbanks and Ketchikan respectively.
Inquiring candidates and persons on honorable location are also under the care of PMU, but have not made formal contact with the registrar.

**2. Diaconal/Deacon/Certification Concerns – Rose McLean**
Action taken at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Alaska Missionary Conference was to accept the request by Sharon Cooper, Diaconal Minister, to move to retired status. Brenda Wingfield was ordained permanent deacon as anticipated by the Oregon-Idaho Conference in June. Several of Brenda's friends and colleagues were present to celebrate this event with her. Brenda has been on the staff at Turnagain UMC and as of July 1 will be appointed as Administrative Assistant for the AMC.
Rose McLean, Diaconal Minister, and Randy McCurdy both continued their certification in Christian Education and Youth Ministry respectively. Both serve on the staff at St. John UMC.

**3. Ministerial Education Fund – James Doepken**
The Ministerial Education Fund (MEF) saw another successful year of sending those in the professional ministry to events around the country – large conferences, personal study, course of study.
The MEF provides $250 per year for deacons, elders, local pastors, and others who are appointed or certified. These funds are not meant to take the place of the funding from the local congregation. It is only meant to supplement local funding. The MEF is a way for the Alaska Missionary Conference to support the education of its professional ministers.

**E. Superintendent's Report – Rachel Lieder Simeon**
The 2002 Annual Meeting of the Alaska Missionary conference was framed and in some ways limited by the issue we faced in deliberating the discontinuance of the St. Paul church in Fairbanks. That issue is still taking time – especially from our chancellor, who has given literally hundreds of hours, and our bishop, whose response to the questions of law have settled the issue, from our denomination's standpoint. We still spend hours with the lawyers,

coordinating strategy and working on funding with the General Council on Finance and Administration and with the General Board of Global Ministries. We still look "forward" to being deposed and possibly to a trial, but with the ecclesiastical issue rested, with the Judicial Council saying unanimously that the process we used to make that incredibly difficult decision was "...equate and appropriate and disciplinary..." there should be and there is among us a newfound sense of peace. I remain grateful for the solidarity with which this conference dealt with that process and for your continued interest and support as we work through this civil phase.

With last year's process firmly ensconced in my memory (and in our memory), without that conference decision still looming on the horizon, I found myself wondering what there would be to say about this year. And in the next thought, I realized how silly that perspective was, how completely short-sighted and limiting, and how easy it is to let the struggles of this ministry we share together eclipse the possibilities and accomplishments and the realized dreams and the still-to-be realized hopes.

We continue, as a conference, to increase our total apportionments payment (although so far this year, it looks like we may have to work hard to continue that trend). An incredible success story is the story of First UMC, Anchorage. It was just a few years ago when that church, whose apportionments at that time equated to 10% of the conference's budget, was able to pay only a very small portion of that amount. Within three years, this church has come back financially, and in spirit, (which of course go hand-in-hand) and in 2002 paid their apportionments in full! We thank, not only the leadership and people of FUMC, Anchorage, but we remember the faithfulness and vision of FUMC, Fairbanks, who in the leanest of times for FUMC, Anchorage, believed so firmly in our connection that when First Anchorage could not pay, First Fairbanks paid over $15,000 on their behalf. Thanks be to God! And to this connection that gives an avenue for such faithfulness.

We don't have the full figures yet, but our challenge to ourselves to become a conference where every one of our churches is a covenant church, is underway. In the latest printout from the GBGM I believe it was 14 of our churches are in some way involved in the covenant church program. Only 13 to go!

The leadership of the conference participated in a visioning event last February at Birchwood Camp. Staff persons from the General Board of Discipleship led us and Youngsook Kang from the General Board of Global Ministries attended. Before the event ended, those national staff persons were excited and I have to say – a little awed – by their experience here. They saw in our conference, the leading edge for the denomination. The way we work together, the freedom with which we state our opinions, the openness with which we look at the future, gave them, in their words, newfound hope for our denomination. That's incredibly exciting stuff!

As we watch Chugiak and Anchor Park finishing up their building projects, we look now to St. John as foundations are poured and dreams realized. We walk down the road behind Girdwood Chapel as it moves, spiritually and physically, to a new place, filled with new possibilities. We anticipate the reality of finding a new Conference Center, since the Wesleyan House no longer can function, legally in that way, having been out of compliance with municipal zoning laws for decades. We watch a new way of doing ministry emerge out of Wasilla-Palmer, and we share in their excitement, and joyfully await the possibility of a new name for that congregation!

We recognize our historic and real connection with the GBGM, who despite enormous cutbacks gave us the properties of the Mission House and the Wesleyan House, assets which exceed $300,000 at a time when they can least afford it. They also dedicated $63,000 to the litigation effort. In light of what is happening fiscally in our national church, we can only read one message in that: they believe in what we're doing and who we are. They – and I really need to say we – because we are they, are trying to do ministry and mission differently. Frustrations with issues and efficiency and accuracy continue.

The fiasco of the 10-10-10 program has wounded many of us – but under the new leadership of Rev. Randy Day, there is newfound hope and the beginnings of the possibility of a new culture at 475 Riverside Drive.

We look with anticipation to the future, balancing excitement with reality:

- Understanding that we will probably have a new bishop assigned in 2004, but holding out a modicum of hope that perhaps the spirit will move in new ways and allow us to see what it might mean to this conference if we were gifted with a 12-year Episcopal leader.
- We give thanks for the dedication of Bonnie Curtis and Bill Doan, as each of them move out in a new direction and thank them for the support and encouragement they offered us.
- We still dream of being a conference where all of our churches and fellowships are in covenant relationship with missionaries outside Alaska.
- We still work toward 100% apportionment payments, increased membership and attendance in our local churches.
- We still anticipate finding a way to share more fully in the raising of funds for the Parish Partners Advance Number; we still struggle to understand the difference between dependence and inter-dependence especially as it relates to "outside funding sources."
- Some of us dream of the time when salaries in this conference will be equalized, based not on size or wealth of our churches, but on the belief that we are truly all in ministry together.
- We still work toward collegiality and connection – sometimes finding it hard to be as supportive and loving of each other as the gospel asks of us.

We have issues – we have our challenges, but we also have all the resources to meet them. With the power of God and the excitement of the Spirit and the wisdom and grace of Jesus Christ grounding everything we do, we are bound for the Promised Land....we are in the Promised Land. May God grace us with the wisdom to see it, and believe, and live it.

It has been a privilege – and at times a distinct joy – to be in ministry with you. Thanks be to God.

### F. Conference Council on Youth Ministries – Dan Lush

This past year the conference recruited two adults to give leadership to the Conference Council on Youth Ministry (CCYM) that was not then organized. Randy McCurdy from St. John UMC and Dan Lush, Homer UMC, met with conference youths at Soldotna UMC and at Snow Camp to put in place some initial conference youth leadership and receive feedback from the youth about what could be done to advance youth ministry.

Elected officers are: President, Clarissa Ribbens, Kenai; Vice President/Secretary and National Youth Council Representative, Kari Daly, Soldotna; youth representative to CCC, Kim Wohlgemuth, Anchorage; and National Youth Council Representative, Kenny Swan, Wasilla.

A focus of recent meetings has been updating the organizational rules and discussing how to be a statewide group when distances are such a challenge.

One idea being considered is to have one Adult Youth Coordinator for each region coordinate the participation of youth in that region. We hope to bring representatives from every region to the 2004 Annual Meeting.

### G. Commission on Archives and History – Bea Shepard

We had a very short meeting at the 2002 Annual Meeting in Anchorage to talk about the Western Jurisdictional (WJ) meeting that was held in Salem, OR, and consider other plans in the making. Four skits on our conference history were presented during the sessions of the Annual Meeting. Many of the players in the skits had been members of the Eagle River Camp Committee in the early days of its development.

Five members of the Conference Commission on Archives and History participated in the joint meeting of the Historical Society of The United Methodist church and the Western Jurisdiction Commission on Archives and History (WJCOAH) that was held in Salem, OR, September 14 – 18, 2002. One historical event was the dedication of a Ghost Structure of the Jason Lee Mission in Salem. It really was a ghost structure – it almost wasn't there! The 2003 meeting of the WJ was held in early May this year, in Tucson, AZ. Two of our commission members, Arlene Cavanaugh and John Tindell, attended.

We hope that several churches in the conference celebrated Heritage Sunday, April 27, 2003. The year is being noted in the Methodist churches as the 300th anniversary of the birth of John Wesley. There will be a special convocation in celebration of Wesley's birth at the General Commission building at Drew University in August; and our Annual Meeting is taking special notice with our conference speaker and a couple of skits.

The working meeting of our commission is planned for October 24 – 26, 2003, at the archives in the Douglas Church. There is a lot of work involved in maintaining the history of our Annual Conference, and keeping it available for the use of its members. It is essential to find a suitable place to move the archives. The Douglas Church has done very well by us, but the room is no longer big enough. We are aware of some planning in the conference that may make it possible to move the archives into space connected with the conference office. We hope this will happen!

### H. Native Ministry – Kay Shock

The Alaska Missionary Conference Native Ministry Committee has continued its task of identifying, interpreting and supporting needs and issues concerning Native ministries in Alaska in this past year.

Through resources gained from Advance Special and Native Ministries Sunday offerings, we have given emergency support to several ministries addressing native needs. The Committee authorized supplemental emergency funds for both "WAG" (Willow/Anvik/Grayling) ministry led by Fran Lynch and for the Chukotka Russian ministry led by Jim Campbell.

Our major project for this year was to design and publish an insert for Native Ministries Sunday – one of the 8 Special Sunday Offerings of the United Methodist Church. The insert was designed to specifically target ministries of the Alaska Missionary Conference. The full color insert was sent to every church in the Conference, with encouragement to observe and support Native Ministry Sunday on May 4 or a Sunday of their choosing in the calendar year.

In the coming year, the committee will to continue to sponsor, support and underwrite the cost of sending village children to camp, and providing air transportation for ministry. We will continue support of the WAG and Russian Far East and Chukotka ministries, especially as those ministries are reorganized. Further, the committee will continue to find ways to further interpret and supply resources to identify and uplift ministry to and with Native people to congregations in the AMC.

### I. New Ministries – Bruce Case

The purpose of the New Ministries Committee is to plan and coordinate new church development and church expansion activities within the Alaska Missionary Conference.

In 2002, the committee continued to support our church's growth in Palmer. We helped First UMC of Wasilla and Palmer secure music and sound equipment to launch its worship service in Palmer. The first service in Palmer occurred on September 29, 2002. As a result of this additional service, First UMC in Wasilla and Palmer has increased its worship attendance in its three services from 110 to 160. Many new leaders have emerged, and the church has been able to reach dozens of people in Palmer who were unconnected to a faith community. We will continue to monitor this ministry and provide assistance for its growth in 2003-04.

The New Ministries Committee also provided funds for the Russian Far East Task Force in 2002 and worked closely with Birchwood Camp in reducing its loan.

New Ministries has also taken some time to retreat and re-focus its mission to help local churches find opportunities to find new ways to be in ministry and outreach. On February 12th, the committee met to form clear emphases to guide future endeavors with the following:

1. Claim and celebrate our identity as a *missionary* conference.
2. Establish new locations for new ministries.
3. Discover new ministries already emerging in our local churches.
4. Include and invite *all* people in new ministry.
5. Foster better communication within the conference in regard to new ministries.
6. Educate and train people who want to establish a new ministry in their setting.

The New Ministries Committee believes there are many new opportunities for churches to be the presence of Christ in our conference. We welcome any ideas the conference may have – big or small – to offer the Good News of Jesus Christ to those around us who long to hear it. To that end, we will support and promote efforts for new church expansion and development in the coming year.

### J. Outdoor Ministries – Susan Williams

The Outdoor Ministries Committee traveled to Hope Retreat Center for our Fall meeting. It was wonderful to see the improvements to the facility. The new roof, cots and windows reflected the efforts the Hope Retreat Center Board is putting into the facility. During summer 2003 many more improvements are scheduled to take place.

The Birchwood Camp, Eagle River Camp, and Hope Retreat Center representatives all shared stories from summer 2002. God blessed our programs with dedicated staffs and volunteers. Our sites were used in record numbers.

The Outdoor Ministries Committee continues to work on our quadrennial goals. We are developing a conference brochure that will highlight our camping facilities. It will explain where our sites are, what kinds of facilities are available and what opportunities are available for ministries.

Outdoor Ministries committee hopes to sponsor our second gathering of Alaska Camping Leaders during the upcoming year. We continue to strive to connect people involved in camping throughout our state. It is our goal to work more closely with Regional Program councils to sponsor events using the outdoors.

Through our conference budget, we were able to send six people to the National Camp Leaders Meeting in Monterey California during late January. LeRoy and Sandy Coon, Kim and Dave Kobersmith, Lori Staats and myself attended the five-day gathering. We attended a variety of sessions including topics such as Capitol Campaigns, Electronic Registration, Music in Camping, Working with VIM teams, or Creative Worship. We participated in team building activities with four hundred other people. The theme was centered on sanctuary - being, finding and providing Sanctuary. The worship services and Bible studies challenged us to "push off the shore and trust where God is leading us…our world is desperately crying out for sanctuary."

Dave Kobersmith represented our conference at the Western Jurisdictional Camp Leaders meeting in October.

#### 1. Birchwood Camp – Von Cawvey

Over the past year Birchwood Camp has moved progressively closer to the dreams we have. Using our Master Plan as a guide, the summer staff and work teams put in a tremendous amount of effort to lay out a low ropes challenge course, clear trails, start the clearing and leveling for the RV parking area, and install permanent bunks in three of the sleeping cabins.

The new bunks, in particular, have met with rave reviews by those of us who spent far too many nights on the old, squeaky, uncomfortable military-style beds. A college work team from Texas spent their spring break at Birchwood, cutting, sanding and staining the

wood for new bunks. A work weekend installed the new bunks. Our goal is to have the new bunks in the remaining cabins by the end of the summer.

Our camp Director-Manager, Dave Kobersmith, attended an excellent fund raising course this past fall. He shared his training with the board in a full-day training session in January. Through the use of a diagnostic tool, the board was able to identify areas in which we excel as well as areas that need to be shored-up before we launch into a major fund-raising effort.

We had more than a 25% increase in camp attendance and are looking forward to another increase this year. In addition, several projects have been lined out for the VIM teams, and plans continue to evolve on fundraising for the larger projects. We are excited about Birchwood's future and invite you to keep us in your prayers.

**2. Hope Retreat Center – Duane Chase**

The Hope Board of Directors continues to move ahead with the renovation of the facility. A work team scheduled for June will complete the interior work in the dorm area, plus minor repairs and trim on the outside.

A new septic system is scheduled to be installed this summer (or fall at the latest) now that the final engineering study has been completed and approved by DEA. The grant application for funding from the Rasmuson Foundation has gone through a number of revisions and is pending a sight visit to validate it's use and character before a final decision is made by them in July. In the meantime, the Hope Board has alternative plans to complete this phase of the project should Rasmuson decline our application.

Fees for the use of the facility have been increased to $25.00 per individual/family per day, and to $75.00 for group use. Firewood is the responsibility of the users. This, along with special fund raising efforts, has given us a positive cash flow for the year and the ability to plan ahead with confidence. Also, local interest in the facility remains high. Once the upgrading is completed, we anticipate doing a rededication service that will include honoring the memory of Bertha McGee in some appropriate manner.

Remember: There is always Hope.

**K. Communications Committee – Randy McCurdy**

The AMC Communications has participated in the Igniting Ministry Program by presenting workshops in local congregations. Welcoming 101, Inviting 101, Discipling 101 and Media are available in 45-60 minute presentations.

A new 2nd step program is also available with a day-long model or available in individual sessions including: Welcoming 70 min, Media 40 min, Inviting 30 min, Discipling 20 min, and 5 change sessions @ 10 min each. The 2nd step is designed for congregations who have already attended the day long 1st step presentation and/or are actively using the Igniting Ministry Planning kit.

The AMC received a matching grant for Easter flight advertising on the ABC statewide super station. An application will be submitted for back-to-school and Advent flights for matching grants for the fall and winter advertising sessions.

The AMC Communications has also been very busy this year redesigning the AMC website. Training is available for local congregations that would like to update or create their individual web presence.

**L. Peace with Justice – Jon B. Walters**

The Peace with Justice networks have been important to us in this past year as we have tried to discern the will of God and support each other.

Terrorism and war are testing our very souls and deepest religious beliefs and forcing us to more thoughtful and loving responses. Denominational executives, Bishops and other

respected leaders have reminded us of our own official position that "war is incompatible with Christian teaching."
We are in deep anguish as we seek to be peacemakers in a world of war and hostility. We embrace each other, as we seek to "support the warrior even if we cannot support the war." Chaplaincy services for our soldiers are most important. Our pastoral hearts are touched profoundly by the deaths of those who are so young who represent our government and our administration. Our network is even more important as we consider the aftermath of the war in Iraq and as we remember those in our own country who need food, housing and health insurance.
May our creative energies focus on possible responses to a world of war and injustice, where there is no peace. Let us continue to love and support each other as we listen to and learn from The Creator.

### M. United Methodist Women – JoAnne Hayden

The local units of United Methodist Women throughout the Alaska Missionary Conference are as varied as their number yet there is also a strong commonality among them at the same time. Each opportunity that we gather or connect in some fashion with each other our connection shines through. The resources available through Women's Division as well as the efforts of the Conference Executive Team help to strengthen those connections so that we are a community of women seeking to know God, experiencing freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, developing a creative supportive fellowship, and expanding concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.
The Annual Meeting held at Solid Rock Bible Camp October 11-13, 2002 was built upon the theme "Be Doers of the Word." Coats, snow pants, snowsuits and boots were collected by the attendees for children ages 4-8 in the Russian Far East and a money offering was dedicated to assisting with the major postage cost of sending these items to their intended recipients.
Marisa Villarreal, Executive Secretary for Leadership Education lead us through training designed to help us understand our individual role within a group as we "Work As A Team."
Through the presentation of the Racial Justice Award to Sailitai Maga of the Samoan Fellowship and Talikai Finau of the Tongan Fellowship the organization was reminded of our efforts to work towards equality for all and lifting up those who are making a difference.
The efforts of all units in relation to our "Mission Today" program was lifted up and celebrated as over three quarters of the units provided responses regarding those efforts. The presence of all, inclusive of the young women, was also recognized.
Then, throughout the remaining portion of the year, Mission Education Events were held in each region of the conference to introduce this year's mission studies: James, Mexico, and Restorative Justice.

### N. Volunteers in Mission – Fran Lynch

In 2002 many teams came to the Alaska Missionary Conference and a few teams went. For all of this I am thankful.
Fourteen of our churches and agencies reported that they received VIM teams. This involved thirty-six teams from Outside who serviced by helping with new construction, maintenance and up-keep of church property, leading VBS, and working in community projects. This represents many hours of work and many thousands of dollars.
Five of our churches reported that they did not receive teams during 2002 since they were taking care of their needs. What a blessing! These churches, as many others in our Conference, have been built by VIM teams. They are now being responsible for themselves. This doesn't mean that in the future there will not be ways to share in ministry with VIM teams. That opportunity is always open as needs and programs change.
Eleven of our churches and agencies did not report to me about any VIM team activity in 2002. So there may have been other wonderful things happening of which I am not aware.

I do know that four churches sent teams in 2002: St. John Youth, First Fairbanks Youth, First Anchorage Youth, and New Hope Adults. Yeah for these churches and the ministries in which they shared! We need to send more teams. Where are our talented caring adults who would like to give in appreciation of all that we have received? The website www.gbgm-umc.org/westernvim lists hundreds of places that need teams. Dream a mission opportunity for your church and go for it.

There will be a Conference VIM team to Tonga in November 2003. This team will work with missionary Mary Kelly at the Methodist Tupou High School. I encourage each church to consider sending a team member. Contact me for details.

In 2003 many teams will come and a few will go. How will you be participating?

### O. Alaska Children's Services – Kelli Williams

Fiscal Year 2003 can best be described as a year of growth – growth for our students as they find new ways of being and our census remained close to full; growth in staffing as position openings was few; and growth in our ability to operate in an environment of change as new buzzwords like "corporate compliance" and "HIPAA" were tossed around. The agency has continued to grow into its mission.

The year began with the Eleventh Annual Alaska Flag Day/Benny Benson, which was also the 75th anniversary of the birth of the Alaskan flag. Honorary chair of the event was Charlotte Irvin, Benny Benson's daughter. All proceeds, over $16,000, from the event were directed to the agency Partnership in Treatment Fund.

A benefit for the fiscal year was approved by the Board of Directors called the Longevity Bonus Program. On his or her employment anniversary date, each employee received $100 for each year of consecutive service to the agency.

Property is critically important to the successful operation of the program. Alaska Children's Services is about to move its Community Programs facilities to accommodate growth, and improve the environment in which our students are served.

Spiritual Life is an integral part of the ACS treatment program. Many efforts are being made to facilitate closer relationships between ACS and local congregations. We hope to expand our ministry by increasing the number of people involved in our mission.

After much searching, we are blessed to announce the hiring of our new part-time Spiritual Life Minister, Father Stephen Lourie. Father Stephen is an Orthodox priest serving the St. John Orthodox Church in Eagle River as their associate pastor. He has an extensive background in working with youth, and has been an adolescent substance abuse counselor. Another huge blessing has been the inception of the Native Spirituality Group that Father Stephen facilitates. It is a bi-weekly group led by Native Elders who graciously give of their time and talents. Talking circles, craft making, singing, dancing, and drumming are all common methods of Native prayer that our students are experiencing. Our hope through this ministry is to model Christ's example of loving, honoring and respecting one another. By educating and exposing our students to Native Spirituality, we hope to break down prejudices and barriers that perpetuate negative stereotypes and alienation. We hope to instill pride and honor in our Native students and to be a part of the circle of care that will help preserve beautiful and important traditions. We hope non-Native students will gain respect of their Native peers and their culture and help unify all students through increased understanding of one another's heritage.

In summary, during FY 03, Alaska Children's Services continues to increase the days of residential care provided to children in need compared to previous years. This is also true regarding children in therapeutic foster care in Family Treatment Homes. It is anticipated that this number will continue to increase in FY 2004.

Church contributions in the past two and a half years have steadily decreased. Last year there was a $28,000 decrease, and this year the projection is $40,000. This is very significant, in

that the Spiritual Life Department must support itself through these contributions because of the separation of church and state. Efforts and plans are in the works to improve this situation.

Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers. And remember that the Spiritual Life Department depends upon donor support. We are so appreciative of your generous and thoughtful participation in our mission and ministry.

### P. Chukotka Native Christian Ministries – Lucy Barton

The Chukotka Native Christian Ministries Board has been inactive during most of the last two years. We have had no Director since the departure of Jim Campbell several years ago and the President did not call a meeting for two years. However, the work of CNCM has continued and a meeting of the Board, missionaries, and Chukotkan workers was held in Nome on March 6th of this year.

Chukotka Native Christian Ministries is a coalition of the United Methodist, Presbyterian, Covenant, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, and Moravian churches. Its purpose is to encourage the development of indigenous churches in the Chukotka region of Siberia. Board members from the AMC include John Henry, Dennis Holway and myself.

The primary focus of CNCM has been a training event held on St. Lawrence Island each summer for people from Chukotka. This event has been planned and carried out primarily by the people of the Island. It has focused on some aspect of the Christian faith and is a combination of teaching, witnessing, singing and dancing. The Chukotkans are then sent home to share with their neighbors.

At the March meeting it was decided to have two events during 2003. In April a group of people from the Island will travel to Chukotka to witness and share their faith. In August a group of Chukotkans will travel to the Island for the usual training event that will be somewhat smaller to accommodate the cost of the April travel. The cost of these events is high—approximately $20,000 annually, most of it spent on travel.

It is exciting to see the faith growth in the people from the Russian side as they witness to their faith and share the ways they are helping their neighbors in the name of Christ.

### Q. Nome Community Center – Jean Tombaugh

In the early 1900's the United Methodist Women began mission work among the Eskimo villages of the Bering Strait region. By 1970 that work developed into the Nome Community Center, Inc., a non-profit corporation, funded primarily through federal and state grants. The Center, however, remains a covenant partner and a mission institute of the General Board of Global Ministries. The ongoing mission of the Center is to provide services to meet the needs of the elders, families and youth in the region and thereby be a witness of Christian caring and love.

The partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Alaska, which began in 2001, has continued to expand our outreach to the youth of the region. After-school programs provided by the Club offer tutoring, computer classes and other educational and fun activities. Youth are also reached through the Nome Youth Court that serves as an alternative to the official judicial system. ATV safety classes were provided in Nome and several villages, with helmets provided for participants. The summer Project Venture Camps will be held this year in Nome and two village sites. Junior Mushers Club, Ski Club, biking and snow shoeing trips and weekend camping programs provide a large number of youth the opportunity for healthy exercise and training in traditional activities of this area.

The Senior Meals program in Nome and 6 villages provides congregate and home delivered meals and continues to be one of our most effective programs. The Adult Day Services in Nome provides daily care for frail elders and the food banks are assisting needy families in Nome and three villages.

Our Family Preservation program ministers to families that are in danger of having children removed from the home by the state or those that have already lost them. We seek to develop a plan of restoration for the family that will allow them to build a strong, wholesome and safe home for their children.
A new project we will be working with this year is a cooperative program with the National Parks Service and the Kaira Club of Anadyr. This project will continue the work that has been funded by the Russian Far East Task Force. The youth of Beringia, Chukotka, will be working on a cultural and environmental educational project "Remember the Past, Ensure the Future." This is part of an effort to preserve and interpret the shared cultural heritage of the native people of our two nations. We hope to be able to expand this program to include an exchange between the youth of these villages and villages of Alaska.

**R. Willow-Anvik-Grayling Church & Community Ministry – Fran Lynch**

The Willow-Anvik-Grayling Church and Community Ministry (WAG) was six years old in November 2002. The wag of WAG continues as help is given to those in need and the love of God is shared by many with many.
In Willow we continue to maintain our food bank, clothes and household item give away. We also help families with school supplies, transportation, rent, heating fuel and utility bills. We provided repair work on three local homes last summer. At Christmas we took the lead in organizing the other Willow churches and the Willow civic groups to help 44 families with food, new clothes, toys and other items.
One of our newest endeavors is to organize the Willow community to partner with Mat-Su Habitat for Humanity to build the first Habitat house in Willow. Fund raising and recruiting of volunteers has taken place and will continue. In early 2003 the family was selected and construction will begin this summer. This will be a combined effort of the local community and VIM teams.
In Anvik and Grayling we have continued to provide Sunday school for the children and youth, as well as provide the opportunity for these children to attend Birchwood Camp during the summer. Games, music, Bible stories, crafts, hikes, long talks, short talks, and lots of love is shared. With the down turn of the economy, donations to charitable organizations have decreased. The Conference also accepted its full financial share of the ministry in 2002 and was not as dependent on GBGM for financial assistance. The reserve money for this ministry that had been built up on the past few years was spent to keep the ministry going. In response to these matters the decision was made not to hire an assistant to travel with me to the bush villages in 2003. This reduced the budget by about $12,000. Maggie Campbell has been doing this for the past three years. Her presence has added greatly to the ministry and will be missed in the future. The ministry in these villages will continue with local folks helping to teach Sunday school. The Tribal Councils provided funds to help the families of children who attend camp pay the weekly camp fee.
As of early 2003 Anvik Tribal Council has offered to pay Maggie's salary and airfare. We are in conversation with the Grayling Tribal Council and hope to work out a similar plan.
We'll keep you posted as the wag of WAG continues.

**S. Alaska IMPACT – Richard K. Heacock, Jr.**

Alaska IMPACT is a project of the Alaska Christian Conference, which provided a startup grant in 1989 at its Biennial Assembly in Bethel. A 501(c)(4) interfaith educational corporation for Alaskans who care about justice, peace and creation, it sends out monthly background papers for its members. In its 14th year, Organization Members supporting Alaska IMPACT by contributing $100.00 per year include: Alaska Missionary Conference of the United Methodist Church; Alaska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Central Alaska Friends Conference; Chena Ridge Friends Meeting; Episcopal Diocese of Alaska; Midnight Sun United Church; and The Richard R. Gay Trust.

This past year background publication issues included:

- Hybrid Car Testing Results
- National Missile Defense and Its Role in Global Dominance
- Political Hysteria and Its Use by Governments
- International Law and Wars of Aggression
- How to Stop Terrorism Globally and Locally
- Governing With Fear and Intimidation
- Nationalism and Commercialism as Idolatry
- Alaska Christian Conference Biennial Assembly in Juneau
- Restorative Justice in Alaska (Report of ACC Assembly)
- A Nation & State in Fiscal Crisis: What is Fair and Just?

Membership applications are available at: 3012 Riverview Drive, Fairbanks 99709-4735; phone/fax (907) 474-0700; or email akimpact@mosquitonet.com Individual memberships are $20.00 per year.

### T. Alaska Christian Conference – Phyllis Sullivan

The XVI Biennial Assembly of the Alaska Christian Conference (ACC) was held in Juneau, AK, February 18-20, 2003, with the Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald, Bishop of the Episcopal Church of Alaska, presiding. Rob Seward and Bob Butcaine of the Alaska Juvenile Justice System presented the theme of Restorative Justice. Restorative Justice is a framework to repair the harm done by crime, and a very basic discussion of it followed.

The Rev. Dr. Jacqueline Means, Director for Prison Ministries, The Episcopal Church Center, New York, and Evelyn Hanneman, Restorative Justice Program Director, Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America, Charlotte, NC, were the two guest speakers, each being outstanding in her field.

The representatives of the Alaska Missionary Conference were Rev. John Henry, of Nikiski, Phyllis Sullivan of Palmer-Wasilla, Rev. Richard Heacock of Fairbanks, Director of Alaska IMPACT, and Rev. David Fison, St. John UMC, Anchorage, who is the ACC representative on RuralCAP.

ACC is an ecumenical organization, founded in 1972, that is composed of Episcopalian, Presbyterian, United Methodist, Lutheran, Baptist, Disciples of Christ, United Church of Christ, and Moravian churches.

### U. University Community Ministry, Anchorage – Greg Kimura

University Community Ministry (UCM) is the mainline Christian campus ministry group for Alaska Pacific University (APU) and University of Alaska, Anchorage (UAA). Numerous churches and denominations in the Anchorage area, especially The United Methodist Church, support UMC. Thanks largely to the Advocacy of Robbie Robinson, UCM was able to arrange a half-time chaplain/half-time instructor position, based out of the historically Methodist APU. The chaplain this year was Rev. G. W. Kimura, who returned as chaplain after three years away studying for a PhD in philosophy of religion.

The chaplain position is a staff position in Student Affairs at APU. The chaplain is responsible for overseeing the spiritual life at APU and offering campus ministry and pastoral aid to UAA. The chaplain provides regular pastoral counseling and premarital counseling to students, faculty and staff at both universities. The chaplain oversees the Jimmy Davis Memorial Chapel at APU and holds regular and special worship services at both campuses. Services included an interfaith 9/11 Memorial at APU, Ash Wednesday Service at UAA's Dormitory Commons, the annual community-wide Easter Sunrise Service at APU, and Baccalaureate. This year's attendance at the Easter Sunrise Service was the highest in several years. That Service included a student duet; student and staff readers; and guest offertory music by the Inupiaq Choir of Alaska Native Lutheran Church.

The chaplain taught 'Introduction to Christianity,' the introductory freshman humanities class, and 'Religion and Nature' at APU. He was a guest lecturer and guest taught UAA's 'Introduction to Western Religion' class in the spring semester. He guest lectured at APU's 'Introduction World Religions' class and 'Western Civilization.' He organized APU's Fall Convocation and was MC for the year-end Honors Assembly. He sits on several university committees, including Spiritual Life, Liberal Studies, and Student Affairs. He had two Compass Piece editorials published in the Anchorage Daily News. He was guest preacher or presided at several UCM contributing churches/denominations (Lutheran and Episcopal).
The chaplain oversaw the Campus Ministry club, which included members from both campuses. Campus Ministry held weekly Bible study meetings, a weekly noonday prayer, and led or participated in several special events, including the 30-Hour Family for World Hunger, the Winter Season Holiday Celebration, the Food Bank of Alaska canned food drive, and Earth Day. The chaplaincy and Campus Ministry also organized weekly trips to serve dinner at Brother Francis Shelter. This was the most successful outreach program, drawing from 6 to 17 volunteers each week. The chaplain also arranged for Campus Ministry to regularly meet a group from Alaska Children's Services at Brother Francis Shelter, to model service work and share fellowship afterwards.
Both Campus Ministry and the chaplain were recognized specially at APU's Honors Assembly. Campus Ministry won the University Club of the Year award for 2002-03. The chaplain won the University Club Advisor of the Year award for 2002-03.

## V. General Boards

**Conference Secretary of Global Ministries – J. Rose McLean**

I have continued to serve on the Russian Far East Ministry Task Force. We are considering ways to continue aspects of this vital ministry following the conclusion of the appointment of Jim Campbell as a 10-10-10 Missionary, July 1.
Plans had been made to participate and sponsor a booth at the Global Gathering scheduled for April of this year, but due to several reasons, the sponsoring agency, The General Board of Global Ministries postponed the event. However, the meeting of the Conference Secretaries is scheduled in Birmingham, AL, April 7-10.

**General Commission on Religion and Race – Dennis Holway**

The Commission has met two times during this past conference year. Our primary work is divided into five basic committees: finance, internal monitoring, legislation, personnel, and planning/evaluation. We also meet as jurisdictional and ethnic groups to discuss common issues and concerns. I serve as secretary for both the Personnel Committee and the Western Jurisdiction sub committee.
At the recent winter meeting of the GCRR the 40-member group approved a new vision document including three primary goals related to: Annual/Missionary Conferences, Connectional Issues and Internal Issues. As stated in the document the vision of the Commission is rooted in God's call for justice. It is a vision of a church that is diverse and inclusive of all God's children through its structure, program and lifestyle.
Some of the issues and topics:

1. The use and misuse of the term "multicultural"
2. The misuse of native imagery particularly as it relates to sports mascots
3. Reports were received from five national ethnic caucuses
4. Approximately a dozen grants were awarded to various ministries through the Minority Group Self-Development Fund
6. And, General Secretary, Dr. Chester R. Jones, presented his address, "Where Do We Go From Here?"

For many the highlight of the most recent Commission gathering was an evening meal and program at Agape UMC, an extremely active Hispanic church in Dallas, Texas and a member

of the Rio Grande Conference, one of the two ethnic language conferences in the UMC. The Agape Church was instrumental in establishing one of the ministries receiving funds from the Minority Group Self-Development Fund.

**General Board of Discipleship – Lupe Saafi**
President of the General Board of Discipleship (GBOD), Bishop Ken Carder, shared that the GBOD's mission is: "Making disciples, resources for Christian formation, and leadership development." When this mission is fulfilled, this will be the reality: "Disciples made, Christians formed, leaders developed, the church renewed, the world transformed." The fulfilling of our mission will require strong Christian education, consistent practicing of the spiritual disciplines and communities of support and accountability.
Dan Church, General Secretary of the General Council of Ministries, shared the proposal for a common table for general agencies to work together. His hope is that the mission and money of the United Methodist Church will be brought around the same table.
Gayle Felton shared the draft from the Holy Communion Study Committee. The draft offers the theological significance of Holy Communion, historical background, understanding and appreciation of our current ritual and practice, practical matters of administration, etc. The paper is a work in process and will continue to be revised.
The Board approved the Upper Room Ministries Unit report including the celebration of the Anathoth property for Africa Upper Room Ministries in Johannesburg, the new Companions in Ministry resource, the funding from the Lily Endowment to study the development of spiritual leaders, the Living Prayer Center, the new solutions development unit, and the success of Companions in Christ.
Central Conferences members shared the need for leadership training, availability of print resources at a lesser price, teaching resources, Bibles in Nigeria, translation in French of print materials, research, and congregational development.

**General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns – Lonnie Brooks**
There were two special tasks assigned by General Conference to the General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns (GCCUIC) for this quadrennium. The first was to lead the entire Church is a conversation about homosexuality and the unity of the Church. The second was to follow up on the dramatically powerful act of repentance for racism that was conducted at the 2000 General Conference. To carry out these tasks, GCCUIC formed a task force for each of them, and these task forces have been at work throughout the quadrennium.
The Task Force on Homosexuality and the Unity of the Church has held four dialogs and five listening sessions in nine different venues throughout the Church. The role of the commission in the dialogs was to serve as a convener, with the participants to be in dialog with each other. The commission did not advocate any position-desired outcome except the unity of the Church. The first of the dialogs was held with the Council of Bishops, and a good deal of coverage of that event found its way into the Church press.
The Task Force on Acts of Repentance on which I serve, pursuant to a resolution of General Conference, set as its principal objective to get each annual conference to hold a liturgical act of repentance for racism at some time during the quadrennium. All but two annual conferences have either held such acts or indicated that they will hold them during that time. Both these task forces will prepare reports for General Conference 2004.
Of the initiatives that GCCUIC will take to General Conference 2004, the legislative proposal most likely to generate the most interest is a proposal prepared jointly with the Council of Bishops, the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, and the General Board of Discipleship to provide a certificate of annual conference membership to persons elected to that office in addition to the certificate of ordination now provided to successful candidates. Most laics are probably unaware that such a certificate does not already exist.

I am pleased to report that following my nomination of Jennifer K. Beckett to be a member of the UM delegation to the general assembly of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., Jenny was elected by the Council of Bishops to that office and will serve, beginning this November, throughout the next quadrennium.

## W. Western Jurisdiction (WJ) Committees

**WJ Committee on the Episcopacy – Dennis Holway and Pat Robinson**

Dennis Holway and Pat Robinson attended the Western Jurisdiction Committee on the Episcopacy meeting in Claremont, California, January 10-11th, 2003. Issues and discussions included: the budget, Bishops' concerns, the Episcopacy election process, General Conference concerns, legislation we wish to present and its internal workings. The committee also delegated responsibilities of the committee for the rest of the year. Assignments for the Episcopacy Committee's responsibilities at the General Conference were also delegated. Requests will be sent to all conferences in the Western Jurisdiction (WJ) requesting the process each uses to elect delegates to the General Conference and the Jurisdictional Conference. These will be reviewed in order to form a more uniform method of election in the Western Jurisdiction.

We also met with the Leadership team of the WJ and heard reports of the various committees.

**WJ Inter-Ethic Coordinating Committee – Dennis Holway and Jinsun Yi**

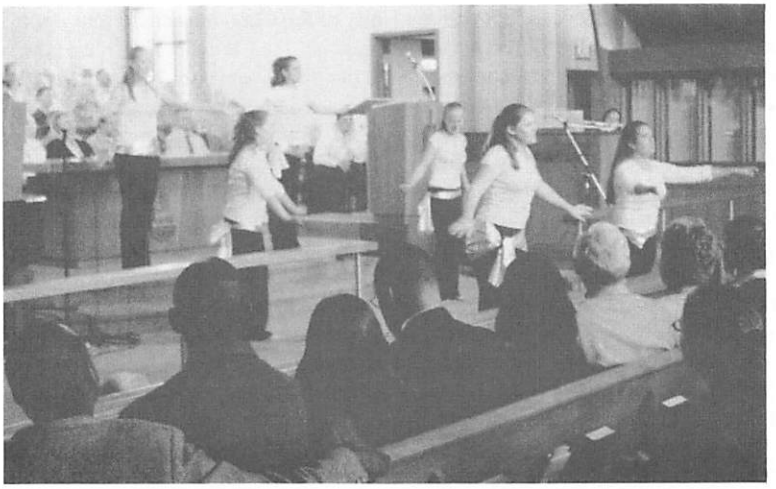
This past year the work/ministry of the WJIECC has focused on three missional priorities that have been identified in relation to the Western Jurisdiction Vision Statement that is:

*A home for all God's people, gathered around a table of reconciliation and transformation: the Western Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church is multicultural and inclusive, engaged in the life of its communities, with confident, effective lay and clergy leadership who, in diverse ministry settings, form disciples who live out the Good News of Jesus as global citizens.*

The three priorities are:

1. Ethnic Leadership Involvement
2. Racial and Cultural Justice
3. Strengthening Institutional Connections and Ministries

The Committee is working with the WJ Leadership Team and various jurisdictional forums and events to keep these priorities and the WJ Vision statement on each other's minds and agendas.



St. John liturgical dancers opening Sunday night worship.

# VI. MEMORIAL ROLL

**Local Church Members and Constituents**

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| Anchor Park, Anchorage | Helen Cameron |
| | Kay Linton |
| Community UMC, Nom | Mary Kaqliq Natungok |
| Eagle River UMC Camp | Floyd M. Barton |
| East Anchorage UMC | Frances Hein |
| | Robert Nelson |
| | Roy Williams |
| First UMC, Anchorage | Don Samuelson |
| | Huldah Samuelson |
| | Sylvia Wittmer |
| | Joe Britton |
| | Kathleen Wood |
| | Ted Martin |
| First UMC, Fairbanks | Bob Baldwin |
| | Jan Buist |
| | Rosemary Messer |
| | Walter Moyle |
| First UMC, Ketchikan | Frank Tillotson |
| First UMC, Wasilla/Palmer | Catherine (Kitty) Gair |
| Homer UMC | Leo Rhode |
| Jewel Lake Parish, Anchorage | Vieno Evans |
| | Gertrude (Trudy) Johnston |
| North Star UMC | Sandra Chilson |
| | Mike Kane |
| | John McBride |
| Northern Light United | Brenda Bruce |
| | Betty Green |
| St. John UMC, Anchorage | Frederick Goff |
| Trapper Creek Fellowship | Rev. Earl "Hal" Sheffer |
| Willow UMC | Louise Twilty |

## VII. CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF SESSIONS

[See 1966 JOURNAL, p. 83, for 1-25 Sessions of Alaska Mission]
[See 1971 JOURNAL, p. 110, for 26-30 Sessions of Alaska Mission]
[See 1980 JOURNAL, p. 117, for 1-9 Sessions of the Alaska Missionary Conference]
[See 1985 JOURNAL, p. 102, for 10-14 Sessions of the Alaska Missionary Conference]

| No. | Year | Place | Presiding Bishop | Superintendent | Secretary |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | 1986 | APU, Anchorage | McConnell | Fassett | Shaffer |
| 16 | 1987 | APU, Anchorage | McConnell | Fassett | Shaffer |
| 17 | 1988 | St. John, Anchorage | McConnell | Fassett | Shaffer |
| 18 | 1989 | Soldotna | Dew | Seckel | Shaffer |
| 19 | 1990 | APU, Anchorage | Dew | Seckel | Shaffer |
| 20 | 1991 | First, Fairbanks | Dew | Seckel | Shaffer |
| 21 | 1992 | First, Anchorage | Dew | Seckel | Holway |
| 22 | 1993 | First, Anchorage | Dew | Seckel | Holway |
| 23 | 1994 | First, Anchorage | Dew | Seckel | Holway |
| 24 | 1995 | First, Anchorage | Dew | Still | Holway |
| 25 | 1996 | APU, Anchorage | Dew | Still | Holway |
| 26 | 1997 | St. John, Anchorage | Paup | Still | Holway |
| 27 | 1998 | First, Anchorage | Paup | Still | Holway |
| 28 | 1999 | Seward | Paup | Still | Holway |
| 29 | 2000 | First, Anchorage | Paup | Holway, Lieder Simeon, Thornberry | Wingfield |
| 30 | 2001 | St. John, Anchorage | Paup | Holway, Lieder Simeon, Thornberry | Wingfield |
| 31 | 2002 | First, Anchorage | Paup | Holway, Lieder Simeon, Baker | Wingfield |
| 32 | 2003 | UMC of Chugiak | Paup | Holway, Lieder Simeon, Baker | Wingfield |

## VIII. CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF MINISTERS

[See 1966 JOURNAL for 1886-1966 Records]
[See 1971 JOURNAL for 1962-1970 Records]
[See 1980 JOURNAL for 1971-1980 Records]
[See 1985 JOURNAL for 1981-1985 Records]
[See 1991 JOURNAL for 1986-1991 Records]
[See 1994 JOURNAL for 1992-1994 Records]
[See 1997 JOURNAL for 1995-1997 Records]
[See 1999 JOURNAL for 1998-1999 Records]
[See 2002 JOURNAL for 2000-2001 Records]

| Name | First Year of Appointment | First Appointment |
|---|---|---|
| Jerry Lee Bishop | 2002 | First UMC, Ketchikan |
| Susan Knight | 2002 | East Anchorage UMC |
| Kathleen M. Wilson | 2002 | UMC of Unalaska |
| James Campbell | 2003 | Turnagain UMC |
| Vicki J. Horn | 2003 | Seward UMC |
| Julie Wasser (PLP) | 2003 | St. Peter the Fisherman, Ninilchik |

# IX. ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES

## A. Record of Ordained Ministers

*Home Missionary ** Missionary *** Retired Elder serving interim appointment
sa Special appointment from an Annual Conference to an institution in the AMC

BAKER, MONTE J.**.....Rocky Mountain
Rocky Mountain: D 1973; E 1979; APPOINTMENTS: Medicine Bow-Hanna 11/4/1972; Appointed to attend school 1975; Fort Collins, First, (Associate), 1977; (Co-Pastor), 1991, Boulder, St. Paul's, 1994; Alaska Missionary Conference: Anchor Park, 1999; 2/3 time Anchor Park, 1/3 time, AMC Superintending Team, 2001. SPOUSE: Marion. CHILDREN: Christina, Heather, Erin, Asheley, and Robert.

BARTON, LUCILE M.** .....California-Pacific
Pacific & Southwest: D 1982; E 1984; EDUCATION: Sacramento State College, 1962, Candler School of Theology, 1982. APPOINTMENTS: San Diego, San Carlos, Associate, 1982; Riverside, Grace, 1985; Pearblossom, Community, 1990; Alaska Missionary Conference: Nome, Community, April 1999. CHILDREN: Gregory, Steven, Melissa, and Julie.

BECKETT, DAVID**.....West Ohio
West Ohio: D 1981; E 1984. EDUCATION: Georgia State University, 1975; United Theological Seminary, 1982. APPOINTMENTS: Allentown and Hume, 1982; Allentown, 1985; Trinity (Associate), 1987; Alaska Missionary Conference: Soldotna, 1991; St. John, 1999. SPOUSE: Kim, CHILDREN: Jennifer, Ryan, Lauren, and Jeremy.

BISHOP, JERRY LEE (JERI) .....Virginia
Virginia: D 1989; E 1992; EDUCATION: U. of Maryland 1961; Duke Divinity School, 1990. APPOINTMENTS: Northumberland Charge, 1990; St. Mark's, Waynesboro, 1992; Longview, KY, 1994; Accomac Charge, VA, 1997; Capeville-Cape Charles Charge, 1998; White Memorial, 1999; Alaska Missionary Conference, Chugiak, 2001; First UMC, Ketchikan, 2002. CHILDREN: Margie, Ken Vance

CAMPBELL, BONNIE .....Baltimore-Washington
Baltimore-Washington. EDUCATION: Medical College of Virginia, BSN, 1966; George Washington U., R.T. Certification, 1978; Wesley Theological Seminary, Course of Study, 2000; Deacon, 2000. APPOINTMENTS: Alaska Missionary Conference, Aldersgate UMC, Home Missionary, 1986; UMC of Unalaska, Home Missionary, 1992; Baltimore-Washington, Violetville, 1995; Davidson, 1996; Alaska Missionary Conference, First UMC, Fairbanks, 2001. SPOUSE: John CHILDREN: John David, Joy Lynn, Jill Miriam, Katherine May.

CAMPBELL, JAMES A.**.....Iowa
Rocky Mountain: PM 1972; E 1972; Iowa: FC 1974; E 1974; EDUCATION: University of Southern Colorado, BA, 1969; University of Illinois, MA, 1971; University of Dubuque, M Div, 1973; S.T.M., 1977; D Min, 1981. APPOINTMENTS: Baldwin-Monmouth, 1972; Nishna Valley Parish, 1975; Storm Lake, (Associate), 1977; Dunlap-Dow City, 1980; Davenport, Christ Church, 1986; Alaska Missionary Conference: Parks Highway Parish and AMC Council Director, 1990; Willow, 1994; Director, Humanitarian Aid to the Russian Far East, 2000; Turnagain, 2003. SPOUSE: Margaret Leona; CHILDREN: James, Earl, Erin.

CAMPBELL, JOHN.....Baltimore-Washington
Baltimore-Washington. EDUCATION: West Virginia Wesleyan College, BA, 1971; Methodist Theological School in Ohio, M. Div., 1974, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, MACE, 1978; Wesley Theological Seminary, current student, D. Min. program. APPOINTMENTS: West Virginia, Weston Circuit, student pastor, 1969; West Ohio, Brice UMC, student pastor, 1972; Baltimore-Washington, Cheltenham UMC, 1974; Foundry, 1975; St. John's of Hamilton, 1978; Calvary, 1983; Alaska Missionary Conference, Aldersgate, 1986; Unalaska, 1992; Baltimore-Washington, Davidsonville, 1995; Alaska Missionary Conference, First UMC, Fairbanks, 2001. SPOUSE: Bonnie CHILDREN: John David, Joy Lynn, Jill Miriam, Katherine May.

CASE, J. BRUCE.....Mississippi
Mississippi. EDUCATION: Mississippi State University, BBA; Duke Divinity School, M. Div. APPOINTMENTS: Mississippi, Central UMC, Meridian, 1997; Alaska Missionary Conference, First UMC, Wasilla (Strategic Assoc. for Palmer area). SPOUSE: Jennifer CHILD: Jerry Bruce Case III (Tripp), Susanna Wesley

CONRAD, MARK**.....Texas
Texas: D 1991; E 1994; EDUCATION: Stephen F. Austin State University, BBA, 1986; Texas Christian University, Brite Divinity School, M Div, 1992. APPOINTMENTS: Melrose UMC./Simpson Campground UMC, 1985 Cushing Circuit, 1988; FUMC, Lufkin, 1992; Alaska Missionary Conference: First UMC, Wasilla, 1997. SPOUSE: Nina. CHILDREN: Amanda.

COVEY, CLARENCE RONALD.....North Indiana
North Indiana. EDUCATION: DePauw University, BS, 1964; Garrett Theological Seminary, BD, 1968; Scarritt College, MA, 1977. APPOINTMENTS: Gary Grace, 1965; Richland Center/Burton, 1967; Main Street, 1974; Huntington Bethel, 1977; Corinth, 1992; Alaska Missionary Conference, Community, Douglas, 2000. SPOUSE: Judy.

DAHL, THOMAS H. .....Minnesota
Minnesota:, 1961; E 1964. EDUCATION: University of Minnesota, BA, 1960; Wesley Theological Seminary, M Div, 1964; University of Colorado, MPA, 1973; McGeorge School of Law of the University of the Pacifice, JD, 1977. APPOINTMENTS: Minnesota, Finlayson, 1958; Peninsula, Ellendale, 1961; AMC, Homer, 1964; Juneau, 1966; Director, Juneau Model Cities Agency, 1969; School, 1971; Minnesota, Honorable Location, 1973, Reinstated, 2000; AMC, Aldersgate, 2000. SPOUSE: Gail E. CHILDREN: Steven, Kathryn, and Michael.

DOEPKEN, JAMES MCINTYRE **.....North Indiana
North Indiana: Preparatory Member/Deacon 1993; Elder 1996; EDUCATION: Wabash College, BA, 1991; Duke University, The Divinity School, M Div, 1994; APPOINTMENTS: North Indiana: School, 1993; Frankfort, Trinity, 1994; Alaska Missionary Conference: Kenai, New Covenant, 1997; Girdwood, Girdwood Chapel, 2000. SPOUSE: Julie Christine. CHILDREN: Samuel James, Moriah Grace, Suzannah McIntyre.

ELDRED, STEPHEN D. ..... Nebraska
Nebraska, E. EDUCATION: U. of Nebraska, BA, 1966; Officer Candidate School, US Coast Guard, 1967; United Seminary, M. Div., 1976. APPOINTMENTS: Nebraska, Big Springs, 1977; Omaha Pearl-Asbury, 1980; Omaha Renaitre, 1981; Pearl Memorial, 1983; Pearl Memorial-Asbury, 1985; Plattsmouth, 1994; Alaska Missionary Conference, Willow, 2001. SPOUSE: Barbarjean CHILDREN: Mark, Laura

HENRY, JOHN R.**.....Detroit
Ohio West: PM 1973; Detroit Conference: E 1976; EDUCATION: Huntington College; Asbury College, 1972; Asbury Theological Seminary, 1975. APPOINTMENTS: School, 1973; Stephenson Hermansville, 1975; L'Anse, Sidnow, Zeba Indian Church, March, 1981; Canton, Cherry Hill, 1986; Alaska Missionary Conference: Fairbanks, St. Paul, 1988; East Anchorage, 1989; North Star, Nikiski, 1998, SPOUSE: Mary Jean. CHILDREN: Nathan Dale, Michael Ray.

HOLWAY, DENNIS BOYDEN*.....California-Pacific
Southern California-Arizona: On Trial, 1968; D 1968; E 1974; EDUCATION: California Western University, 1967; Boston University School of Theology, 1970. APPOINTMENTS: School, 1968; Glendale First, (Minister of Youth), 1970; Mesa Verde, Costa Mesa, (Associate), 1975; Alaska Missionary Conference: Soldotna, 1977; Anchorage, First, (Associate), 1982; AMC Mission Associate, 1987; Anchorage, Turnagain, 1990; ½ time, Turnagain, ½ time, AMC Superintending Team, 1999; ½ time Superintending Team, 2003. SPOUSE: Susan Joy. CHILDREN: Todd Edward, Blake Boyden.

HORN, VICKI J.....Yellowstone
West Ohio: D 1978; E 1980. EDUCATION: Miami of Ohio, 1973; Methodist Theological School in Ohio, M. Div., 1978. APPOINTMENTS: West Ohio: Union, 1978. Yellowstone: Blackfeet UM Parish, 1981; Ruby Valley Parish, 1983; Cascade, 1985; Townsend, 1987; Geraldine, 1989; Granite County Parish, 2000; Stevensville, 2001. Alaska Missionary Conference: Seward, 2003. CHILDREN: Mara, Shawna

HUBBARD, JOE S.....Pacific-Northwest
Free Methodist Church of NA, D., 1978, E 1980. Transferred to UMC, PNW Conference, 1984. EDUCATION: Seattle Pacific University, 1973, BA; Asbury Theological Seminary, M Div., 1978. APPOINTMENTS: Richland Free Methodist Church, 1984; Pacific Northwest, Lakewood UMC, 1984; Sixth Avenue (Tacoma), 1986; Highline, 1995; Alaska Missionary Conference, Sitka, 2001. SPOUSE: Su CHILDREN: Joe Timothy, Samuel Jeremiah, Kyla Ruth Anne.

KARNS, CURTIS E. .....Yukon Presbytery
Member of the Yukon Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Ordained, 1984, Yukon Presbytery. EDUCATION: University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1979; Dubuque Theological Seminary, 1984. APPOINTMENTS: First Presbyterian Church, Wrangell, 1984; New Hope Methodist - Presbyterian Church, North Pole, 1993. SPOUSE: Cindee. CHILDREN: Kristen, Keith.

KELLEY, DALE R.....Northwest Regional Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
EDUCATION: University of Delaware 1965; Northwest Theological Union, M Div, 1989; Ordained, 1989. APPOINTMENTS: Seattle, University Christian Church, 1989; Anchorage, First Christian Church, (Interim) 1994; Alaska Missionary Conference: Jewel Lake Parish (Interim), 1995; AMC Mission Associate 1997, Soldotna, Soldotna UMC 1999. CHILDREN: Jennifer Ann, Stephanie Joyce.

KNIGHT, SUSAN**.....California-Pacific
California-Pacific: D 1992: E 1998. EDUCATION: University of Alaska Anchorage 1988; Claremont School of Theology 1996. APPOINTMENTS: Alaska Missionary Conference: Ninilchik, St. Peter the Fisherman UMC (PLP) 1998, Cal/Pac: Yucaipa, 1992; San Gabriel, First, 1993, Alhambra, Granada Park UMC 1995; Fillmore, Bardsdale UMC 1998; Alaska Missionary Conference: First UMC, Ketchikan, 1999; East Anchorage, 2002. CHILDREN: Joseph Alen, Alex Jae, Chelsea June.

LIEDER SIMEON, RACHEL M.**.....Yellowstone
Iowa Conference: D 1982, Yellowstone: E 1985. EDUCATION: Morningside College; Claremont School of Theology. APPOINTMENTS: Yellowstone: Anaconda, 1983; Libby, 1986; Iowa: St. Paul, 1989; Alaska Missionary Conference: Chugiak, 1993; ½ time, Chugiak, ½ time, AMC Superintending Team, 1999. SPOUSE: Mark C. Haines Simeon. CHILDREN: Anna E. and Kate C.

LINDSAY-HUDGINS, DEBRA.....Delaware-Peninsula
Delaware-Peninsula: D 1983; E 1986. EDUCATION: Asbury College, 1980; Princeton Theological Seminary, 1983; CPE, Delaware State Hospital, 1984. APPOINTMENTS: Delaware State Hospital, Assistant Chaplain, 1983; McCabe, 1984; Ellendale, 1988; Georgetown, 1991; St. Mark, 1998; Alaska Missionary Conference, First, Anchorage, 2000. SPOUSE: Douglas Lindsay.

LUSH, DANIEL L. .....Rocky Mountain
Rocky Mountain: D 1993; E 1996. EDUCATION: University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 1974; Iliff School of Theology, 1993. APPOINTMENTS: St. Paul, Colorado Springs, 1993; First, Gillette, WY, 1998; Alaska Missionary Conference, Homer, 2000. SPOUSE: Margaret. CHILDREN: Jennifer, Jillian, Jaclyn.

SHOCK, JAMES .....Oklahoma
Oklahoma, D, 1984; E, 1988. EDUCATION: Oklahoma State University, BSA, 1965; University of Tulsa, MBA, 1969; Phillips Theological Seminary, M Div, 1986; Oral Roberts University, D Min, 1990. APPOINTMENTS: Oklahoma: Putnam City, 1982; Prattville, 1986; FUMC, Mountain View, 1989; Duncan, 1990; Epworth UMC, Tulsa, 1994; FUMC, Chandler, 1996; FUMC, Eufaula, 1998; Alaska Missionary Conference, Jewel Lake Parish, 2001. SPOUSE: Lauren Kay CHILDREN: James William, Holly Lacy

SHOCK, LAUREN KAY .....Oklahoma
Oklahoma, DM, 1990; D, 1994; E, 1999. EDUCATION: Southern Nazarene University, BA, 1984; Oklahoma City University, MAR, 1989; Phillips Theological Seminary, M Div, 1996. APPOINTMENTS: Oklahoma, DM, FUMC, Duncan, 1990; Grace, Tulsa, 1994. As clergy, Wellston, 1996; McAlester-Savanna Charge, 1998. Alaska Missionary Conference: Jewel Lake Parish, 2001. CHILDREN: Joel Thomas Carpenter

WALTERS, JON .....South Indiana
South Indiana: D 1973; E 1979. EDUCATION: Millsaps College, 1960; Westminster Choir College, 1964; Indiana University School of Music, 1972; Christian Theological Seminary, 1975. APPOINTMENTS: Erie, 1968; Church of The Cross, 1970; Indiana Interreligious Commission on Human Equality, 1980; Good Shepherd, 1987; North UMC, 1988; Alaska Missionary Conference, UMC of the New Covenant, Kenai, 2000. SPOUSE: Mary Glynn CHILDREN: Glynn Allyson, Summer Marion, and Jon Lott (Jay).

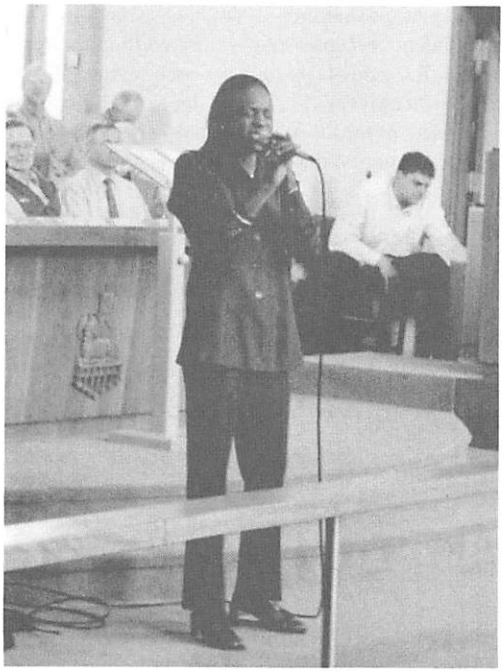
WASSER, JULIE ANN.....Alaska Missionary Conference
Local Pastor, 1985. EDUCATION: Hillsboro College, AA; Candler School of Theology, Course of Study, 1990. APPOINTMENTS: Missouri: Greenville/Paterson, 1985. Alabama/West Florida: Repton, 1987; St. Stephens, 1989. Alaska Missionary Conference: Trapper Creek, 2000; St. Peter the Fisherman, 2003. SPOUSE: Robert
CHILDREN: Keith Sheffer, Ronald Sheffer, Peter Sheffer

### B. Record of Diaconal Ministers

MCLEAN, JIMETTE ROSE
Certified Director of Christian Education, 1969; Diaconal Minister, 1987; EDUCATION: McMurry College, B.A., 1966; Duke Divinity School, M.R.E., 1968; EMPLOYMENT: Hammond, Indiana, Woodmar United Methodist, 1968; Ann Arbor, Michigan, First United Methodist, 1974; Alaska Missionary Conference: Anchorage, St. John, 1987.

### C. Record of Ordained Ministers under Special Appointment

WINGFIELD, BRENDA.....Oregon-Idaho
Diaconal Minister, 1997, Deacon in Full Connection, 2002. EDUCATION: Ohio State University, BSN, 1968; Iliff School of Theology, MAR, 1995. EMPLOYMENT: Golden, CO, First United Methodist Church, 1995; Alaska Missionary Conference, Homer, 1996; Anchorage, Turnagain, 1999; AMC Administrative Assistant, 2003.
CHILDREN: Timothy Joseph, Kevin John



Rulonda Watson, guest soloist for the Pan-Methodist Celebration.

## X. RULE CHANGE RECOMMENDATIONS

THE FOLLOWING ARE CHANGES TO RULES ARE RECOM MENDED.

**R5.1000...ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT**

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION... There shall be ~~nine (9)~~ **twelve (12)** members ~~with a minimum of three (3) laypersons and three (3) clergy~~**, and it is recommended that one-third be clergy, one third laywomen, and one-third laymen, in accordance with the provisions of ¶ 2521.1. Among the twelve members, the AMC Superintendent and the AMC Treasurer shall serve as full voting members, except that if the Treasurer is a member of the paid staff of the AMC, the Treasurer shall serve as a member without vote.** The members shall elect their own officers ~~with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elect at Annual Meeting~~ **in accordance with ¶ 2512.2.**

**R5.1007...CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON YOUTH MINISTRY (CCYM)**

**PURPOSE...**~~The purpose of the CCYM is to strengthen youth ministry in the local churches of the AMC, empowering them to meet the physical, emotional, psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of youth.~~ **To empower youth in their relationship with the Spirit of God as revealed in Jesus Christ, strengthening youth ministry in the local churches and organizations of the AMC, and facilitating the youths won efforts to invite others into relationship as disciples of Christ.**

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION...**The recommended membership of the CCYM is two (s) youth representatives ~~from each region elected by the youth of that region~~ **and (1) adult regional advisor from each of the four regions of the Conference.** ~~In addition it is recommended that there be on (1) Adult Conference Youth Coordinator.~~ The Youth representatives shall elect a President ~~or Representative~~ from within their body who has full voting rights in the AMC. In addition, ~~one (1) youth from each region~~ **CCYM regional youth representatives or designated alternates** will have privilege of the floor without vote.

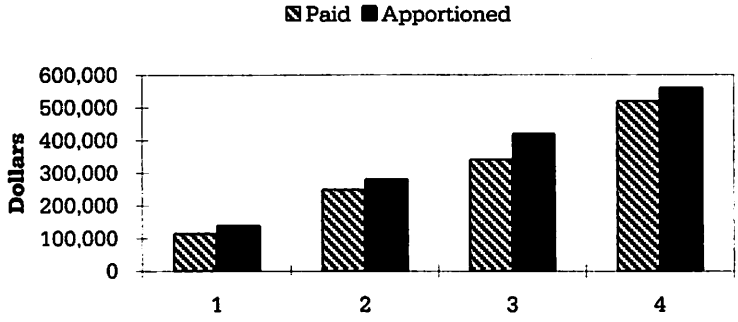
**MEETINGS...**~~The primary meeting of the CCYM is recommended to be in conjunction with the place and date of the Annual Meeting of the AMC.~~ **It is recommended that the CCYM have an annual meeting.**

Bonnie & Bill's encore.

Samoan Dance 101!

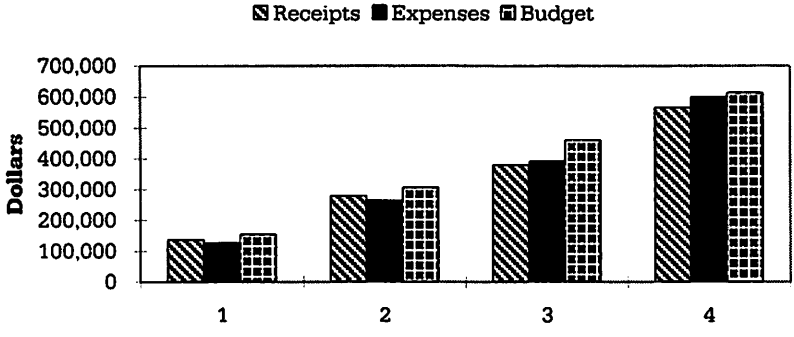
# ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
## XI. FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA
### A. Conference Treasurer's Report
Susan Bickman, Treasurer and Bill Doan, Financial Assistant

CUMULATIVE APPORTIONMENT INCOME 2002




| | 1ST QUARTER | 2nd QUARTER | 3rd QUARTER | 4th QUARTER |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Paid | 114,638 | 248,387 | 340,554 | 519,369 |
| Apportioned | 139,718 | 279,436 | 419,153 | 558,871 |
| Variance | (25,080) | (31,049) | (78,599) | (39,502) |

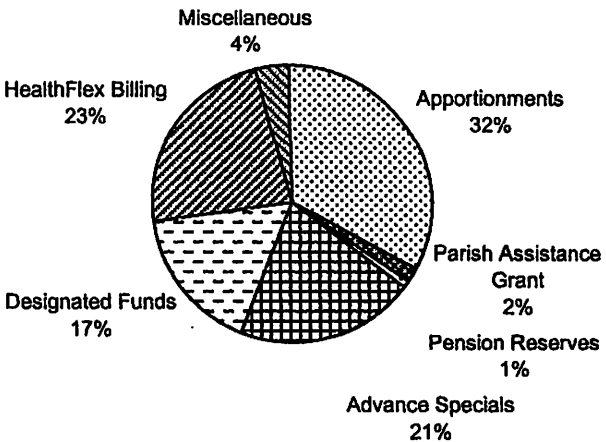
CUMULATIVE AMC RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES 2002




| | 1ST QUARTER | 2nd QUARTER | 3rd QUARTER | 4th QUARTER |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Receipts | 136,239 | 279,684 | 378,748 | 566,460 |
| Expenses | 124,118 | 263,721 | 390,331 | 598,044 |
| Budget | 153,218 | 306,436 | 459,653 | 612,871 |

# ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE INCOME SOURCES

| 2002 | |
|---|---|
| Apportionments | 519,369 |
| Parish Assistance Grant | 25,000 |
| Pension Reserves | 15,000 |
| Advance Specials | 328,229 |
| Designated Funds | 267,779 |
| HealthFlex Billing | 368,261 |
| Miscellaneous | 61,470 |
| Total | 1,585,108 |



ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR 2002
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| | IDENTITY | | CHURCH MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CHURCH | SENIOR PASTOR | Total Full Members in 2001 | Received on Profession of Christian Faith | Restored by Affirmation | Received from other UM Churches | Received from other Denominations | Removed or Corrected by Charge Conf. Action | Withdrawn | Removed by Transfer to other UM Churches | Removed by Transfer to Other Denominations | Removed by Death | Asian Members | Black Members | Hispanic Members | Native American Members | Pacific Island Members | White Members | Members Who Are Female | Members Who Are Male | Total Full Members in 2002 | Average Attendance at Worship Service(s) | Number of Persons Baptized in 2002 | Preparatory Members (Number of Baptized Children Under Age 19) | Number of Persons on Constituency Roll | Total Enrolled in Confirmation Classes | |
| | | | 1 | 2a | 2b | 3 | 4 | 5a | 5b | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9a1 | 9a2 | 9a3 | 9a4 | 9a5 | 9a6 | 9bf | 9bm | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | |
| 1 | Homer | Lush | 150 | 18 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 144 | 80 | 69 | 149 | 104 | 0 | 24 | 132 | 10 | 1 |
| 2 | Kenai | Walters | 78 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 49 | 34 | 83 | 45 | 0 | 14 | 20 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | Moose Pass | Chase | 18 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 14 | 7 | 21 | 15 | 2 | 24 | 9 | 1 | 3 |
| 4 | Nikiski | Henry | 64 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 58 | 42 | 21 | 63 | 53 | 2 | 31 | 83 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | Ninilchik | Born | 61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 58 | 30 | 31 | 61 | 34 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| 6 | Seward | Chase | 85 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 77 | 50 | 35 | 85 | 45 | 4 | 40 | 34 | 6 | 6 |
| 7 | Soldotna | Kelley | 157 | 15 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 176 | 114 | 62 | 176 | 111 | 1 | 74 | 0 | 8 | 7 |
| | Fairbanks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | First | Campbell | 551 | 19 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 535 | 310 | 253 | 563 | 234 | 11 | 274 | 23 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | Saint Paul¥ | Strait | 67 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 10 | Nome | Barton | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 32 | 66 | 4 | 70 | 24 | 0 | 58 | 35 | 0 | 10 |
| 11 | North Pole* | Kams | 85 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 77 | 47 | 33 | 80 | 51 | 2 | 17 | 0 | 3 | 11 |
| 12 | Wasilla | Conrad | 208 | 10 | 0 | 8 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 232 | 134 | 103 | 237 | 119 | 4 | 27 | 0 | 3 | 12 |
| 13 | Willow | Eldred | 30 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 42 | 29 | 16 | 45 | 45 | 4 | 13 | 24 | 0 | 13 |
| | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Anchor Park | Baker | 200 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 153 | 110 | 97 | 207 | 189 | 5 | 59 | 73 | 3 | 14 |
| 15 | East | Knight | 140 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 120 | 84 | 41 | 125 | 65 | 6 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| 16 | First | Lindsay-Hudgins | 359 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 324 | 174 | 174 | 348 | 144 | 8 | 98 | 54 | 6 | 16 |
| 17 | Jewel Lake* | Shock | 64 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 65 | 39 | 27 | 66 | 39 | 2 | 4 | 20 | 2 | 17 |
| 18 | Korean | Yi | 87 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 83 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 52 | 32 | 84 | 145 | 1 | 36 | 23 | 0 | 18 |
| 19 | Saint John | Beckett | 657 | 44 | 3 | 35 | 9 | 14 | 5 | 15 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 699 | 426 | 285 | 711 | 456 | 26 | 231 | 123 | 19 | 19 |
| 20 | Tumagain | Holway | 138 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 33 | 97 | 79 | 60 | 139 | 87 | 1 | 75 | 68 | 7 | 20 |
| 21 | Chuglak | Lieder Simeon | 225 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 201 | 123 | 78 | 201 | 185 | 10 | 45 | 0 | 16 | 21 |
| 22 | Girdwood | Doepken | 44 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 24 | 20 | 44 | 59 | 0 | 35 | 19 | 0 | 22 |
| 23 | Unalaska | Wilson | 53 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 50 | 22 | 33 | 55 | 30 | 0 | 32 | 4 | 6 | 23 |
| 24 | Douglas | Covey | 113 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 99 | 75 | 37 | 112 | 68 | 0 | 38 | 73 | 0 | 24 |
| | Juneau | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25 | Aldersgate | Dahl | 98 | 10 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 93 | 61 | 46 | 107 | 82 | 4 | 29 | 37 | 8 | 25 |
| 26 | Northern Lig | Lindsay | 119 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 115 | 0 | 115 | 115 | 100 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 26 |
| 27 | Ketchikan | Bishop | 85 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 82 | 53 | 30 | 83 | 50 | 5 | 28 | 14 | 3 | 27 |
| 28 | Sitka | Hubbard | 106 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 92 | 62 | 40 | 102 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| | | 2002 TOTAL | 4,110 | 161 | 27 | 104 | 46 | 175 | 16 | 80 | 19 | 26 | 139 | 19 | 21 | 84 | 101 | 3,768 | 2,349 | 1,783 | 4,132 | 2,622 | 99 | 1,320 | 888 | 111 | |
| | | 2001 TOTAL | 4,121 | 117 | 34 | 97 | 39 | 134 | 38 | 81 | 29 | 18 | 138 | 70 | 25 | 136 | 137 | 3,606 | 2,446 | 1,664 | 4,110 | 2,588 | 125 | 1,537 | 1,195 | 38 | |
| | | INCREASE/(DECREASE) | (11) | 44 | (7) | 7 | 7 | 41 | (20) | (1) | (10) | 8 | 3 | (51) | (4) | (52) | (36) | 162 | (97) | 119 | 22 | 34 | (26) | (217) | (327) | 75 | |

*Presbyterian/United Methodist United Churches reporting half of total statistics
¥Church was discontinued during year

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| | CHURCH SCHOOL AND SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | UMM | | UMW | | UMYF | | PROPERTY | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number of Leaders | Children in All Classes and Groups | Youth in All Classes and Groups | Adults in All Classes and Groups | Total Church School Membership | Average Attendance in the Church School | Average Attendance Accountability Groups | Average Attendance in Mission and Ministry Groups | Ave. Number of Children Attending Support Groups | Ave. Number of Youth Attending Support Groups | Ave. Number of Adults Attending Support Groups | Total Average Attendance in Support Groups | Average Attendance in Short-term Classes and Groups for Learning | CS Members Joined Church on Profession | Membership in United Methodist Men | Amount Paid for Projects | Membership in United Methodist Women | Amount Paid for Local Church & Community Work | Membership in UM Youth Fellowship | Amount Paid for Projects | Value of Church Land, Buildings, and Equipment | Value of Church Parsonage and Furniture | Value of Other Assets | Indebtedness on Items in 32, 33, & 34 on 31Dec02 | Other Indebtedness | |
| | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23a | 23b | 23c | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | |
| 1 | 15 | 34 | 22 | 38 | 109 | 43 | 8 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 475 | 14 | 2,275 | 926,700 | 151,000 | 210,171 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 5 | 11 | 5 | 20 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 950,000 | 154,500 | 10,000 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 14 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 32 | 22 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 92,600 | 0 | 6,326 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 4 | 9 | 25 | 8 | 17 | 59 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 200 | 9 | 0 | 678,800 | 138,000 | 8,332 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 19 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 269,000 | 182,000 | 6,411 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| 6 | 5 | 26 | 14 | 10 | 58 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 859,009 | 220,065 | 52,000 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 7 | 16 | 42 | 39 | 20 | 117 | 41 | 10 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 23 | 820 | 13 | 0 | 155,000 | 177,000 | 55,000 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 8 | 40 | 70 | 45 | 90 | 245 | 90 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 2,600 | 45 | 6,000 | 2,724,124 | 0 | 95,908 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 10 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 14 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 1,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 39,000 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| 11 | 6 | 12 | 8 | 23 | 49 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 555,000 | 0 | 77,145 | 68,833 | 0 | 11 |
| 12 | 30 | 21 | 21 | 46 | 118 | 94 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 1,734 | 15 | 3,939 | 810,560 | 305,380 | 12,576 | 112,000 | 0 | 12 |
| 13 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 20 | 45 | 19 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 377,600 | 141,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| 14 | 29 | 51 | 36 | 52 | 168 | 42 | 13 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 100 | 25 | 2,270 | 28 | 2,999 | 2,000,000 | 208,530 | 140,374 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| 15 | 7 | 15 | 12 | 20 | 54 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 5 | 150 | 17 | 1,270 | 15 | 300 | 868,230 | 151,410 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| 16 | 9 | 35 | 17 | 36 | 97 | 97 | 36 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 3,000 | 17 | 0 | 4,050,000 | 210,000 | 390,000 | 159,600 | 59,200 | 16 |
| 17 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 19 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 42,500 | 25,000 | 8,437 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| 18 | 20 | 30 | 17 | 70 | 137 | 100 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 1 | 20 | 1,000 | 40 | 5,000 | 0 | 0 | 435,000 | 1,000 | 159,159 | 65,000 | 0 | 18 |
| 19 | 194 | 378 | 269 | 310 | 1,151 | 191 | 116 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 90 | 265 | 19 | 32 | 492 | 30 | 175 | 107 | 2,749 | 2,205,399 | 172,197 | 270,753 | 462,157 | 229,646 | 19 |
| 20 | 12 | 20 | 16 | 32 | 80 | 40 | 16 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 900 | 0 | 0 | 1,360,000 | 179,335 | 20,000 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| 21 | 16 | 27 | 17 | 21 | 81 | 69 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 567 | 28 | 390 | 4,111,000 | 270,000 | 200,165 | 1,255,986 | 0 | 21 |
| 22 | 5 | 16 | 11 | 9 | 41 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 175,000 | 3,000 | 154,031 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| 23 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 760,000 | 374,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| 24 | 10 | 38 | 5 | 24 | 75 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 12 | 600 | 23 | 3,163 | 0 | 0 | 1,330,000 | 360,000 | 152,000 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| 25 | 19 | 23 | 20 | 22 | 84 | 32 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 22 | 1,350 | 15 | 0 | 1,453,600 | 0 | 240,158 | 78,800 | 0 | 25 |
| 26 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 21 | 30 | 8 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15 | 30 | 2 | 30 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,247,070 | 0 | 134,575 | 28,901 | 50,482 | 26 |
| 27 | 9 | 23 | 1 | 6 | 39 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1,739 | 0 | 0 | 794,100 | 328,625 | 21,622 | 190,293 | 0 | 27 |
| 28 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 8 | 30 | 24 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 600 | 0 | 0 | 1,000,000 | 300,000 | 0 | 70,000 | 0 | 28 |
| | 508 | 951 | 611 | 922 | 2,992 | 1,150 | 329 | 219 | 0 | 4 | 117 | 121 | 590 | 74 | 138 | 2,342 | 435 | 26,663 | 321 | 20,652 | 30,248,492 | 4,050,042 | 2,469,147 | 2,489,570 | 349,528 | |
| | 520 | 1,010 | 490 | 875 | 2,895 | 1,000 | 261 | 145 | 4 | 2 | 242 | 248 | 681 | 47 | 102 | 2,032 | 371 | 19,555 | 383 | 19,511 | 29,161,910 | 4,080,749 | 2,279,050 | 2,616,408 | 326,279 | |
| | (12) | (59) | 121 | 47 | 97 | 150 | 68 | 74 | (4) | 2 | (125) | (127) | (91) | 27 | 36 | 310 | 64 | 7,108 | (62) | 1,141 | 1,088,582 | (30,707) | 190,097 | (126,838) | 23,249 | |

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| IDENTITY | | | BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | | | | CONNECTIONAL ADMINISTRATION | | CONNECTIONAL CLERGY SUPPORT | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CHURCH | NUMBER | World Service and Conference Benevolence Apportionment | World Service and Conference Benevolence Paid | Other General Conference Apportionments | Other General Conference Paid | General Advance Specials and World Service Gifts | Youth Service Fund | General Church Offerings | AMC Special Sunday Offerings | AMC Advance Specials | Higher Education | Health & Welfare Agencies | Other AMC Benevolences | Local Church Benevolences | Connectional Administration Apportionment | Connectional Administration Paid | Additional Clergy Pension Paid (Not Used in AMC after 1998) | Pension and Benefit Apportionment and Billing | Pension and Benefits Paid | Ministerial Support Apportionment & Move & Transfer Billing | Ministerial Support & Move & Transfer Paid | |
| | | | (37-38)a | (37-38)b | (39-41)a | (39-41)b | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 54a | 54b | 57 | 58a | 58b | 62a | 62b | |
| 1 | Homer | 90534-3 | 3,534 | 3,534 | 702 | 702 | 1,306 | 0 | 1,205 | 0 | 605 | 338 | 0 | 0 | 7,869 | 5,601 | 5,601 | 0 | 18,196 | 18,206 | 5,576 | 5,576 | 1 |
| 2 | Kenaiff | 90542-3 | 2,721 | 1,662 | 541 | 370 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4,313 | 2,951 | 0 | 14,948 | 14,946 | 4,293 | 1,609 | 2 |
| 3 | Moose Pass | 90546-7 | 261 | 261 | 56 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 165 | 0 | 0 | 446 | 446 | 0 | 433 | 433 | 444 | 444 | 3 |
| 4 | Nikiski | 90537-6 | 2,124 | 2,124 | 422 | 422 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 395 | 3,366 | 3,366 | 0 | 14,024 | 14,024 | 3,351 | 3,351 | 4 |
| 5 | Nikolaevsk | 90543-4 | 1,124 | 1,124 | 223 | 223 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 905 | 0 | 0 | 3,508 | 3,467 | 1,781 | 1,781 | 0 | 1,735 | 1,735 | 1,773 | 1,773 | 5 |
| 6 | Seward | 90570-7 | 1,691 | 1,691 | 376 | 376 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,118 | 907 | 2,997 | 2,997 | 0 | 13,659 | 13,659 | 2,963 | 2,963 | 6 |
| 7 | Soldotna | 90545-6 | 3,756 | 3,756 | 746 | 746 | 1,800 | 0 | 405 | 0 | 1,084 | 0 | 536 | 127 | 0 | 5,954 | 5,954 | 0 | 15,656 | 15,656 | 5,926 | 5,926 | 7 |
| | Fairbanks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | First | 90530-6 | 10,214 | 10,214 | 2,030 | 2,030 | 0 | 0 | 1,405 | 0 | 5,753 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17,834 | 16,190 | 16,190 | 0 | 26,499 | 27,329 | 16,118 | 16,118 | 8 |
| 9 | Saint Paul¥ | 90529-6 | 1,995 | 831 | 396 | 165 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,162 | 1,318 | 0 | 3,084 | 1,311 | 3,147 | 0 | 9 |
| 10 | Nome | 90562-7 | 1,937 | 520 | 385 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75 | 0 | 272 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,070 | 0 | 0 | 14,022 | 12,299 | 3,056 | 0 | 10 |
| 11 | North Pole* | 90531-0 | 1,692 | 1,692 | 376 | 376 | 0 | 0 | 1,186 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,120 | 2,999 | 2,999 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,985 | 2,985 | 11 |
| 12 | Wasilla | 90520-6 | 3,285 | 3,285 | 653 | 653 | 0 | 0 | 273 | 0 | 1,067 | 0 | 0 | 560 | 5,914 | 5,208 | 5,208 | 0 | 15,812 | 15,787 | 5,184 | 5,184 | 12 |
| 13 | Willow | 90551-4 | 557 | 557 | 111 | 111 | 0 | 0 | 470 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9,834 | 882 | 882 | 0 | 14,355 | 15,185 | 878 | 878 | 13 |
| | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Anchor Park | 90514-6 | 5,681 | 5,681 | 1,129 | 1,129 | 0 | 0 | 2,794 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9,005 | 9,005 | 0 | 19,521 | 19,521 | 8,963 | 8,963 | 14 |
| 15 | East | 90544-5 | 3,125 | 3,125 | 621 | 621 | 128 | 0 | 1,324 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 743 | 4,954 | 4,954 | 0 | 15,568 | 15,568 | 4,931 | 4,931 | 15 |
| 16 | First | 90510-4 | 9,574 | 9,574 | 1,903 | 1,903 | 0 | 0 | 821 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,386 | 15,176 | 15,176 | 0 | 24,949 | 24,949 | 15,107 | 15,107 | 16 |
| 17 | Jewel Lake* | 90511-5 | 1,926 | 1,926 | 383 | 383 | 0 | 0 | 401 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 145 | 2,640 | 3,053 | 3,053 | 0 | 13,913 | 13,913 | 3,039 | 3,039 | 17 |
| 18 | Korean | 90509-2 | 1,425 | 1,425 | 283 | 283 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 500 | 2,259 | 1,341 | 0 | 2,202 | 2,202 | 2,249 | 2,249 | 18 |
| 19 | Saint John | 90512-6 | 13,271 | 13,271 | 2,637 | 2,637 | 501 | 0 | 1,553 | 0 | 2,601 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,034 | 21,039 | 21,039 | 0 | 30,438 | 30,718 | 20,941 | 20,941 | 19 |
| 20 | Turnagain | 90517-2 | 4,071 | 4,071 | 809 | 809 | 25 | 0 | 1,331 | 0 | 3,456 | 0 | 0 | 417 | 12,764 | 6,453 | 6,453 | 0 | 28,213 | 28,213 | 6,423 | 6,423 | 20 |
| 21 | Chugiak | 90518-3 | 5,340 | 5,340 | 1,061 | 1,061 | 310 | 0 | 2,291 | 0 | 283 | 0 | 50 | 822 | 3,288 | 8,465 | 8,465 | 0 | 18,989 | 18,989 | 8,426 | 8,426 | 21 |
| 22 | Girdwood | 90547-6 | 45 | 45 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 338 | 0 | 337 | 0 | 0 | 4,771 | 1,175 | 71 | 71 | 0 | 13,488 | 13,488 | 71 | 71 | 22 |
| 23 | Unalaska | 90553-6 | 420 | 420 | 84 | 84 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 666 | 666 | 0 | 12,661 | 12,661 | 663 | 663 | 23 |
| 24 | Douglas | 90526-3 | 3,264 | 3,264 | 649 | 649 | 0 | 0 | 546 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,060 | 0 | 5,174 | 5,174 | 0 | 15,785 | 16,615 | 5,150 | 5,150 | 24 |
| | Juneau | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25 | Aldersgate | 90521-7 | 2,665 | 2,665 | 530 | 530 | 0 | 0 | 865 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 510 | 139 | 4,224 | 4,224 | 0 | 14,859 | 14,859 | 4,205 | 4,205 | 25 |
| 26 | Northern Light* | 90538-7 | 3,944 | 3,944 | 784 | 784 | 0 | 0 | 995 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,302 | 35,733 | 6,252 | 6,252 | 0 | 16,633 | 16,467 | 6,223 | 6,223 | 26 |
| 27 | Ketchikan | 90550-3 | 2,756 | 0 | 548 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 355 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9,271 | 4,369 | 0 | 0 | 14,616 | 1,030 | 4,349 | 0 | 27 |
| 28 | Sitka | 90513-7 | 2,499 | 2,499 | 497 | 497 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,962 | 3,962 | 0 | 14,450 | 18,645 | 3,944 | 3,944 | 28 |
| | 2002 TOTAL | | 95,317 | 69,121 | 18,944 | 17,609 | 4,070 | 0 | 18,653 | 0 | 16,563 | 338 | 751 | 16,390 | 122,013 | 151,091 | 139,528 | 0 | 408,108 | 397,630 | 150,396 | 137,160 | |
| | 2001 TOTAL | | 85,937 | 71,655 | 19,040 | 15,502 | 28,579 | 0 | 18,062 | 0 | 33,987 | 1,527 | 215 | 23,037 | 108,195 | 144,644 | 118,382 | 0 | 395,400 | 380,606 | 163,576 | 150,571 | |
| | INCREASE/(DECREASE) | | 9,380 | 17,466 | (96) | 2,107 | (24,509) | 0 | 591 | 0 | (17,424) | (1,189) | 536 | (6,647) | 13,818 | 6,447 | 21,146 | 0 | 12,708 | 17,024 | (13,180) | (13,411) | |

*Presbyterian/United Methodist United Churches reporting half of total expenditures
#No report submitted; ¥Church was discontinued during year

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| | CLERGY SUPPORT--LOCAL CHURCH | | | | | LOCAL CHURCH EXPENDITURES | | | | | | UMW | TOTAL | APPORTIONMENTS | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Base Compensation of Pastor in Charge | Associate Pastor(s)'s Base Compensation | Utility and Housing Allowances Paid | Reimbursements Paid to Clergy | Other Cash Allowance Paid | Diaconal Minister(s)'s &/or Deacon(s)'s Salary, Allowances, & Expenses | Other Staff Salaries, Wages, Allowances, & Expenses | Current Program Expense | Other Current Operating Expense | Loan Principal and Interest | Building and Grounds Improvements | UMW Paid to AMC UMW Treasurer | GRAND TOTAL PAID | Total Apportionments & Billings | Apportionments & Billings Paid | |
| | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 | AMC 1 | AMC2 | |
| 1 | 38,000 | 0 | 3,652 | 2,807 | 0 | 0 | 14,907 | 9,155 | 21,663 | 0 | 10,842 | 0 | 145,968 | 31,609 | 33,619 | 1 |
| 2 | 37,110 | 0 | 3,449 | 1,368 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,561 | 5,600 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 72,828 | 26,816 | 21,740 | 2 |
| 3 | 1,667 | 0 | 0 | 1,522 | 0 | 0 | 325 | 218 | 1,444 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,201 | 1,660 | 1,660 | 3 |
| 4 | 26,815 | 0 | 2,182 | 3,500 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,119 | 23,412 | 4,782 | 7,400 | 1,064 | 95,006 | 23,287 | 23,287 | 4 |
| 5 | 10,000 | 0 | 2,096 | 0 | 3,160 | 0 | 0 | 1,708 | 5,105 | 0 | 10,565 | 0 | 47,150 | 6,636 | 6,636 | 5 |
| 6 | 24,537 | 0 | 3,789 | 750 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,988 | 10,560 | 0 | 1,835 | 0 | 68,190 | 21,906 | 21,906 | 6 |
| 7 | 38,423 | 0 | 3,624 | 0 | 2,684 | 0 | 11,062 | 0 | 20,159 | 0 | 3,500 | 1,800 | 118,442 | 33,238 | 33,238 | 7 |
| 8 | 36,610 | 21,749 | 17,688 | 6,640 | 0 | 0 | 89,822 | 22,219 | 78,454 | 0 | 22,685 | 0 | 392,738 | 71,049 | 71,879 | 8 |
| 9 | 16,325 | 0 | 4,000 | 200 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,000 | 2,500 | 2,000 | 0 | 0 | 30,650 | 11,784 | 3,625 | 9 |
| 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,100 | 32,469 | 0 | 1,480 | 500 | 48,715 | 22,470 | 12,819 | 10 |
| 11 | 14,500 | 0 | 10,750 | 1,047 | 7,274 | 0 | 14,352 | 5,820 | 29,697 | 7,248 | 0 | 0 | 101,246 | 8,252 | 8,252 | 11 |
| 12 | 37,500 | 500 | 5,724 | 4,043 | 0 | 0 | 11,963 | 10,740 | 25,725 | 15,899 | 18,150 | 777 | 168,952 | 30,142 | 30,117 | 12 |
| 13 | 36,650 | 0 | 2,217 | 2,274 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,997 | 10,685 | 0 | 0 | 135 | 81,875 | 18,783 | 17,613 | 13 |
| 14 | 40,368 | 0 | 3,415 | 5,181 | 0 | 0 | 86,789 | 22,830 | 70,336 | 0 | 0 | 2,142 | 278,154 | 44,299 | 44,299 | 14 |
| 15 | 37,372 | 0 | 5,843 | 1,261 | 1,250 | 0 | 11,804 | 4,139 | 26,078 | 9,558 | 0 | 2,098 | 130,797 | 29,199 | 29,199 | 15 |
| 16 | 51,636 | 2,500 | 0 | 1,000 | 2,500 | 0 | 63,209 | 6,398 | 77,528 | 40,901 | 12,500 | 4,100 | 336,188 | 66,709 | 66,709 | 16 |
| 17 | 18,000 | 0 | 750 | 1,761 | 0 | 0 | 13,495 | 2,129 | 15,412 | 9,132 | 947 | 0 | 87,126 | 22,314 | 22,314 | 17 |
| 18 | 36,962 | 0 | 2,400 | 9,631 | 0 | 0 | 6,300 | 21,150 | 7,374 | 20,091 | 14,480 | 0 | 126,388 | 8,418 | 7,500 | 18 |
| 19 | 51,174 | 500 | 24,176 | 8,109 | 0 | 59,861 | 159,445 | 21,997 | 83,780 | 76,571 | 271,210 | 2,268 | 854,596 | 88,326 | 88,606 | 19 |
| 20 | 11,328 | 0 | 11,700 | 624 | 2,500 | 27,804 | 26,189 | 8,529 | 26,681 | 0 | 1,208 | 1,500 | 182,025 | 45,969 | 45,969 | 20 |
| 21 | 47,074 | 1,250 | 21,366 | 9,000 | 0 | 0 | 41,883 | 4,484 | 47,624 | 68,596 | 0 | 0 | 290,602 | 42,281 | 42,281 | 21 |
| 22 | 2,845 | 0 | 6,200 | 5,687 | 75 | 0 | 0 | 3,709 | 7,899 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 46,720 | 13,684 | 13,684 | 22 |
| 23 | 20,948 | 0 | 2,225 | 811 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,219 | 24,275 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 68,972 | 14,494 | 14,494 | 23 |
| 24 | 39,000 | 0 | 5,920 | 1,052 | 0 | 0 | 25,118 | 13,671 | 31,867 | 0 | 0 | 3,066 | 152,152 | 30,022 | 30,852 | 24 |
| 25 | 38,806 | 0 | 11,000 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 7,935 | 3,597 | 29,443 | 53,023 | 0 | 0 | 171,831 | 26,483 | 26,483 | 25 |
| 26 | 17,590 | 0 | 17,000 | 4,937 | 0 | 0 | 36,093 | 7,041 | 27,669 | 19,257 | 11,617 | 0 | 214,924 | 34,036 | 33,690 | 26 |
| 27 | 11,721 | 0 | 5,993 | 3,749 | 5,370 | 0 | 19,456 | 3,273 | 23,378 | 20,595 | 0 | 588 | 104,779 | 26,638 | 1,030 | 27 |
| 28 | 35,900 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 600 | 0 | 0 | 4,038 | 29,335 | 12,255 | 0 | 0 | 109,675 | 25,352 | 27,547 | 28 |
| | 779,061 | 26,499 | 177,159 | 76,964 | 25,413 | 87,665 | 640,147 | 196,829 | 796,162 | 359,908 | 388,219 | 20,038 | 4,533,890 | 623,856 | 781,048 | |
| | 728,822 | 500 | 196,289 | 54,606 | 39,549 | 86,031 | 542,723 | 231,275 | 584,489 | 349,543 | 237,910 | 19,522 | 4,021,577 | 608,597 | 736,716 | |
| | 50,239 | 25,999 | (19,130) | 22,358 | (14,136) | 1,634 | 97,424 | (34,446) | 211,673 | 10,365 | 150,309 | 516 | 512,313 | 15,259 | 44,332 | |

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| | IDENTITY | | ANNUAL OPERATING AND BENEVOLENCE BUDGET SOURCES | | | | | | | | CAPITAL AND SPECIAL SOURCES | | | | OUTSIDE LOCAL CHURCH SOURCES | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CHURCH | NUMBER | Amount Received Through Pledges 1a | Amount Received from Non-pledgers, yet Identified Givers 1b | Amount Received from Unidentified Givers 1c | Amount Received from Interest and Dividends 1d | Amount Received from Sale of Church Assets 1e | Amt. Rcd. Through Building Use Fees, Contributions, and Rentals 1f | Amount Received through Fundraisers and Other Services 1g | TOTAL 1 | Capital Campaigns 2a | Memorials, Endowments, & Bequests 2b | Other Sources and Projects 2c | TOTAL 2 | Equitable Compensation Funds 3a | Advance Specials or Apportioned Funds Received 3b | Other 3c | TOTAL 3 | |
| 1 | Homer | 90534-3 | 78,179 | 38,745 | 3,960 | 0 | 0 | 3,338 | 0 | 122,242 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | Kenai# | 90542-3 | 78,681 | 23,396 | 2,839 | 795 | 0 | 536 | 0 | 106,047 | 15,445 | 5,235 | 0 | 20,680 | 0 | 1,373 | 0 | 1,373 | 2 |
| 3 | Moose Pass | 90548-7 | 0 | 6,941 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 468 | 7,409 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 211 | 0 | 211 | 3 |
| 4 | Nikiski | 90537-6 | 6,000 | 69,789 | 3,942 | 122 | 0 | 1,625 | 0 | 81,478 | 0 | 0 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 4,650 | 8,759 | 0 | 13,409 | 4 |
| 5 | Ninilchik | 90543-4 | 0 | 39,600 | 390 | 300 | 0 | 170 | 775 | 41,235 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,350 | 0 | 0 | 1,350 | 5 |
| 6 | Seward | 90570-7 | 0 | 51,023 | 1,772 | 2,550 | 0 | 4,975 | 4,400 | 64,720 | 0 | 2,447 | 0 | 2,447 | 0 | 17,697 | 1,408 | 19,105 | 6 |
| 7 | Soldotna | 90545-6 | 55,994 | 37,427 | 4,167 | 319 | 0 | 1,100 | 11,939 | 110,946 | 0 | 685 | 0 | 685 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| | Fairbanks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | First | 90530-8 | 306,530 | 25,958 | 8,501 | 1,950 | 0 | 5,850 | 4,252 | 353,041 | 0 | 10,000 | 20,799 | 30,799 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 9 | St. Paul¥ | 90529-8 | 0 | 40,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 10 | Nome | 90562-7 | 14,567 | 14,568 | 2,610 | 0 | 0 | 3,250 | 6,140 | 41,335 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15,900 | 25,842 | 24,654 | 66,396 | 10 |
| 11 | North Pole* | 90531-0 | 63,232 | 0 | 18,412 | 566 | 0 | 0 | 12,895 | 95,105 | 28,223 | 497 | 0 | 28,720 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| 12 | Wasilla | 90520-6 | 54,500 | 97,480 | 5,200 | 153 | 0 | 0 | 9,898 | 167,231 | 0 | 124 | 0 | 124 | 0 | 0 | 17,234 | 17,234 | 12 |
| 13 | Willow | 90551-4 | 38,375 | 32,334 | 0 | 142 | 0 | 0 | 601 | 69,452 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8,100 | 725 | 8,825 | 13 |
| | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Anchor Park | 90514-8 | 158,032 | 98,778 | 9,997 | 683 | 0 | 584 | 16,022 | 284,076 | 124,472 | 0 | 0 | 124,472 | 0 | 0 | 17,644 | 17,644 | 14 |
| 15 | East | 90544-5 | 89,003 | 10,187 | 10,187 | 228 | 0 | 840 | 17,549 | 127,994 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| 16 | First | 90510-4 | 199,545 | 0 | 0 | 1,077 | 0 | 58,524 | 0 | 259,146 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| 17 | Jewel Lake* | 90511-5 | 53,078 | 15,021 | 1,613 | 80 | 0 | 995 | 13,093 | 83,880 | 0 | 1,220 | 0 | 1,220 | 0 | 1,824 | 0 | 1,824 | 17 |
| 18 | Korean | 90509-2 | 59,926 | 46,000 | 1,423 | 685 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 108,034 | 107,252 | 0 | 0 | 107,252 | 12,000 | 0 | 0 | 12,000 | 18 |
| 19 | Saint John | 90512-6 | 375,931 | 122,637 | 20,945 | 2,167 | 0 | 14,093 | 26,773 | 562,546 | 420,109 | 0 | 0 | 420,109 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| 20 | Turnagain | 90517-2 | 93,381 | 27,720 | 3,923 | 0 | 0 | 44,955 | 0 | 169,979 | 0 | 0 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 0 | 32,375 | 0 | 32,375 | 20 |
| 21 | Chugiak | 90518-3 | 128,190 | 57,712 | 9,708 | 526 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 196,136 | 148,453 | 300 | 4,130 | 152,883 | 8,000 | 8,718 | 34,200 | 48,918 | 21 |
| 22 | Girdwood | 90547-8 | 45,898 | 12,705 | 4,000 | 4,250 | 0 | 1,480 | 0 | 68,331 | 14,960 | 0 | 0 | 14,960 | 0 | 44,312 | 0 | 44,312 | 22 |
| 23 | Unalaska# | 90553-6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| 24 | Douglas | 90528-3 | 58,961 | 0 | 48,921 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,395 | 113,277 | 894 | 14,952 | 0 | 15,846 | 3,600 | 4,020 | 5,774 | 13,394 | 24 |
| | Juneau | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25 | Aldersgate | 90521-7 | 108,504 | 9,574 | 1,978 | 142 | 0 | 20,265 | 1,018 | 141,479 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24,005 | 0 | 24,005 | 25 |
| 26 | Northern Light* | 90538-7 | 46,873 | 65,218 | 3,324 | 383 | 1,006 | 10,520 | 1,376 | 128,502 | 25,930 | 23,998 | 0 | 49,928 | 0 | 0 | 583 | 583 | 26 |
| 27 | Ketchikan | 90550-3 | 20,690 | 46,749 | 4,246 | 8 | 0 | 5,762 | 0 | 77,455 | 2,745 | 0 | 0 | 2,745 | 23,837 | 4,980 | 0 | 28,817 | 27 |
| 28 | Sitka | 90513-7 | 86,551 | 15,923 | 2,021 | 0 | 0 | 27,820 | 781 | 133,076 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| | 2002 TOTAL | | 2,216,389 | 1,005,485 | 174,099 | 17,086 | 1,006 | 206,682 | 133,355 | 3,754,102 | 888,283 | 59,458 | 52,329 | 1,000,070 | 67,337 | 180,018 | 102,422 | 349,775 | |
| | 2001 TOTAL | | 2,378,590 | 874,475 | 202,254 | 16,839 | 199,926 | 195,270 | 162,580 | 4,029,934 | 448,239 | 31,179 | 66,249 | 545,667 | 54,185 | 109,417 | 87,369 | 250,991 | |
| | INCREASE/(DECREASE) | | (162,201) | 131,010 | (28,155) | 247 | (198,920) | 11,412 | (29,225) | (275,832) | 440,044 | 28,279 | (13,920) | 454,403 | 13,152 | 70,599 | 15,033 | 98,784 | |

*Presbyterian/United Methodist United Churches reporting half of total receipts
#No report submitted; ¥Church was discontinued during year

# ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
## D. Conference Budget

| Alaska Missionary Conf. Budget | 2004 Budget |
|---|---|
| | |
| I. World Service & Conference Benevolence | |
| A. General Conference Apportionment-GCA | $ 30,403.00 |
| B. Conference Benevolences | |
| 1. CCC: Administration | $ 2,700.00 |
| 2. Conference Council Director | |
| 3. Regional Program Councils | $ 16,300.00 |
| 4. Professional Ministries Units | |
| a. Administration | $ 1,800.00 |
| b. Professional Church Workers Retreat | $ 4,000.00 |
| c. Campus Ministries | $ 18,500.00 |
| d. Sexual Ethics Training | $ 500.00 |
| e. Processing Candidates | $ 1,500.00 |
| f. Clergy Orientation | $ 2,500.00 |
| 5. Communications | $ 2,500.00 |
| 6. Native Ministries | $ 2,250.00 |
| 7. New Ministries | |
| a. Administration | $ 4,000.00 |
| b. New Ministries Support | $ 10,000.00 |
| c. Church & Community Worker | $ 10,000.00 |
| 8. Alaska Christian Conference | $ 500.00 |
| a. IMPACT Membership | $ 100.00 |
| 9. Lay Leader Expenses | $ 500.00 |
| 10. Council on Youth Ministries | $ 2,920.00 |
| 11. Conference Outdoor Ministries | $ 5,075.00 |
| 12. Conference Secretary of Global Ministries | $ 680.00 |
| 13. Coordinator of Disaster Preparedness | $ 1,700.00 |
| Total World Service & Conference Benevolences | $ 118,428.00 |
| | |
| II. Other Benevolences: General Conference | |
| A. Ministerial Education Fund | |
| 1. Beyond Alaska (GCA) 75% of 6101a | $ 9,796.50 |
| 2. AMC Portion (GCA) 25% of 6101a | $ 3,265.50 |
| B. Black College Fund (GCA) | $ 4,924.00 |
| C. Africa University Fund (GCA) | $ 1,103.00 |
| D. Mission Initiative (GCA) | |
| Total Other Benevolences: General Conference | $ 19,089.00 |
| | |
| III. Connectional Administration Fund | |
| A. General Administration Fund (GCA) | $ 2,897.00 |
| B. Interdenominational Co-op Fund (GCA) | $ 926.00 |
| C. Jurisdictional Administration Fund | $ 700.00 |
| D. Area Office Administration Fund | $ 2,400.00 |
| E. Conference Administration Fund | |
| 1. Conference Office | |
| a. Employee Salaries | $ 63,000.00 |
| b. Employee Health Insurance | $ 6,300.00 |
| c. Retirement | $ 3,800.00 |
| d. Payroll Taxes | $ 6,000.00 |
| e. Workers Compensation Insurance | $ 1,400.00 |
| f. Office Operations Expense | $ 13,875.00 |
| g. Telephone and Online | $ 7,500.00 |
| h. Contingency Fund | $ 1,000.00 |
| i. Office Equipment Replacement Fund | $ 2,500.00 |
| j. Directors and Officers Liability | $ 4,500.00 |

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|---|---|
| k. Audit | $ 6,000.00 |
| 2. Wesleyan House | |
| a. Operations | $ 4,000.00 |
| b. Utilities | $ 3,000.00 |
| c. Repair & Maintenance | 0 |
| d. Insurance | $ 1,000.00 |
| 3. Administration | |
| a. Committees | |
| 1. Administrative Unit | $ 2,550.00 |
| a. Conference Office Moving Fund | $ 5,000.00 |
| 2. Archives and History | $ 3,200.00 |
| 3. CCF&A | $ 2,250.00 |
| 4. Courtesy | $ 250.00 |
| 5. Nominations and Rules | $ 100.00 |
| 6. Volunteers in Mission | $ 400.00 |
| 7. Western Jurisdiction VIM Coordinator | $ 1,500.00 |
| b. Conference Offices | |
| 1. Secretary/Journal | |
| a. Secretary Expense | $ 150.00 |
| b. Journal and Printing | $ 3,500.00 |
| 2. Treasurer | $ 250.00 |
| 3. Statistician | $ 60.00 |
| c. Annual Meeting Expense | $ 12,000.00 |
| d. Superintendency | $ 1,000.00 |
| e. Executive Committee | $ 250.00 |
| 4. General Conference Delegate Expenses | $ 1,001.00 |
| **Total Connectional Administration** | $ 164,259.00 |
| | |
| **IV. Connectional Clergy Support** | |
| A. Pension Fund | $ 136,000.00 |
| B. Episcopal Fund | $ 8,096.00 |
| C. Episcopal Housing | $ 2,700.00 |
| D. Western Jurisdiction Korean Superintendent | $ 550.00 |
| E. Conference Superintendent Fund | |
| 1. Superintendent Stipends | $ 16,000.00 |
| 2. Church Salary Supplement | $ 80,000.00 |
| 3. Travel | $ 25,000.00 |
| 4. Additional Clerical Support | |
| F. Equitable Compensation Subsidy Fund | $ 70,000.00 |
| G. Pension Subsidy Fund | $ 25,000.00 |
| **Total Connectional Clergy Support** | $ 363,346.00 |
| | |
| **Total Budget** | |
| I. World Service and Conference Benevolence | $ 118,428.00 |
| II. Other Benevolences; General Benevolence | $ 19,089.00 |
| III. Connectional Administration Fund | $ 164,259.00 |
| IV. Connectional Clergy Support | $ 363,346.00 |
| **Total Budget** | $ 665,122.00 |
| | |
| **Anticipated Income Sources** | |
| I. Pension Reserve Funds | |
| II. Parish Assistants Grant | $ 23,000.00 |
| III. Interest Income | $ 7,000.00 |
| IV. Parish Partner's Fund | $ 15,000.00 |
| V. Apportionments | $ 620,122.00 |
| **Total Anticipated Income** | $ 665,122.00 |

## ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

### E. Pastor's Salaries, Allowances and Benefits - 2003

| Church | Salary | Cont. Ed. | Prof. Exp. | Travel | Housing & Util. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Aldersgate | 35,025 | 1000(v) | 75(v) | 2000(v) | 12,000 |
| Anchor Park | 41,921 | 1250 | 2000 | 2000 | pars/util |
| Anchorage Korean | 28,800 | 1000 | 1000 | - | 13,200 |
| Community | 45,375 | 1000(v) | 75(v) | 2000 | pars/util |
| Douglas | 39,625 | 1500(v) | 100(v) | 3000(v) | pars/util |
| East Anchorage | 35,155 | 1000(v) | - | 2500(v) | pars/util |
| First Anchorage | 53,576 | 1000(v) | | 2500 | pars/util |
| First Fairbanks | | | | | |
| Senior Pastor | 43,603 | 1000(v) | 3000(v) | 1800(v) | 8844 |
| Associate | 21,201 | 500(v) | 1500(v) | 1800(v) | 8844 |
| First Ketchikan | 43,825 | 2000 | 1550(v) | 1200(v) | pars/util |
| First Wasilla | 38,600 | 1000(v) | - | 1800(v) | pars/util |
| Girdwood Chapel | 32,475 | 1500(v) | 1700(v) | 2500(v) | 23,810 |
| Homer | 41,000 | 750(v) | 2250(v) | 2500(v) | pars/util |
| Jewel Lake Parish | 41,100 | 3000(v) | - | 1500(v) | pars/util |
| New Hope M/P | 29,000 | 1000(v) | - | - | 21,500 |
| North Star | 38,025 | 1000 | - | 3500(v) | pars/util |
| Northern Light | 37,180 | 1500 | 3000 | 1000 | 17,000 |
| Seward | 43,125 | 1100(v) | - | 1000(v) | pars/util |
| Moose Pass | - | - | - | 3600(v) | - |
| Soldotna | 38,423 | 2000 | 1200 | - | pars/util |
| St. John | 50,574 | 1500(v) | 1000(v) | 2000(v) | pars/util |
| St. Peter/Fisherman | 12,000 | 1000(v) | - | 2160(v) | pars/util |
| Trapper Creek | 3,600 | - | - | - | - |
| Turnagain | 34,848 | 1000(v) | 350(v) | 2500 | 16,200 |
| Unalaska | 43,103 | 1000(v) | 150(v) | 5000(v) | pars/util |
| UMC of Chugiak | 43,851 | 1000(v) | 1000(v) | 1000(v) | 21,366 |
| UMC/New Covenant | 40,065 | 1200(v) | 900(v) | - | pars/util |
| UMC of Sitka | 37,625 | 1000 | - | - | pars/util |
| Willow | 38,325 | 1000(v) | 1400(v) | 3200(v) | pars/util |

Superintendents' Stipends

| | |
|---|---|
| Baker | 4000 |
| Holway | 6000 |
| Lieder Simeon | 6000 |

v=vouchered

| CHURCH | OTHER GRADE FIGURE | PENSION GRADE FIGURE | PENSION APPORTIONMENT | OTHER MIN. SUPPORT APPORTIONMENT | TOTAL MIN. SUPPORT APPORTIONMENT | CONNECTIONAL ADMINISTRATION APPORTIONMENT | WORLD SERVICE & CONF. BENEV. APPORTIONMENT | OTHER GEN. CONF. APPORTIONMENT | TOTAL APPORTIONMENT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Homer | 0.037389 | 0.040565 | 5,517 | 6,818 | 12,335 | 6,141 | 4,428 | 714 | 23,618 |
| New Covenant | 0.020993 | 0.022779 | 3,098 | 3,828 | 6,926 | 3,448 | 2,486 | 401 | 13,261 |
| Moose Pass | 0.002669 | 0.002894 | 394 | 487 | 881 | 438 | 316 | 51 | 1,686 |
| North Star | 0.020215 | 0.021939 | 2,984 | 3,686 | 6,670 | 3,321 | 2,394 | 386 | 12,771 |
| St. Peter | 0.011442 | 0.012411 | 1,688 | 2,086 | 3,774 | 1,879 | 1,355 | 218 | 7,226 |
| Seward | 0.019281 | 0.020918 | 2,845 | 3,516 | 6,361 | 3,167 | 2,283 | 368 | 12,179 |
| Soldotna | 0.035521 | 0.000000 | 0 | 6,477 | 6,477 | 5,835 | 4,207 | 678 | 17,197 |
| First Fairbanks | 0.108520 | 0.117714 | 16,009 | 19,788 | 35,797 | 17,825 | 12,852 | 2,072 | 68,546 |
| Nome | 0.014231 | 0.015437 | 2,099 | 2,595 | 4,694 | 2,338 | 1,685 | 272 | 8,989 |
| New Hope* | 0.025275 | 0.000000 | 0 | 4,609 | 4,609 | 4,152 | 2,993 | 482 | 12,236 |
| First Wasilla | 0.039814 | 0.043186 | 5,873 | 7,260 | 13,133 | 6,540 | 4,715 | 760 | 25,148 |
| Willow | 0.017245 | 0.018719 | 2,546 | 3,145 | 5,691 | 2,833 | 2,042 | 329 | 10,895 |
| Anchor Park | 0.068436 | 0.074274 | 10,101 | 12,479 | 22,580 | 11,241 | 8,105 | 1,305 | 43,232 |
| East Anchorage | 0.033053 | 0.035863 | 4,877 | 6,027 | 10,904 | 5,429 | 3,914 | 631 | 20,878 |
| First Anchorage | 0.074494 | 0.080813 | 10,991 | 13,584 | 24,575 | 12,236 | 8,822 | 1,422 | 47,055 |
| Jewel Lake* | 0.017361 | 0.037676 | 5,124 | 3,166 | 8,290 | 2,852 | 2,056 | 331 | 13,529 |
| Korean | 0.023874 | 0.025907 | 3,523 | 4,353 | 7,876 | 3,922 | 2,827 | 456 | 15,081 |
| Saint John | 0.154008 | 0.167091 | 22,724 | 28,082 | 50,806 | 25,297 | 18,240 | 2,940 | 97,283 |
| Turnagain | 0.038307 | 0.041566 | 5,653 | 6,985 | 12,638 | 6,292 | 4,537 | 731 | 24,198 |
| Chugiak | 0.055121 | 0.059809 | 8,134 | 10,051 | 18,185 | 9,054 | 6,528 | 1,052 | 34,819 |
| Girdwood Chapel | 0.012832 | 0.013924 | 1,894 | 2,340 | 4,234 | 2,108 | 1,520 | 245 | 8,107 |
| Unalaska | 0.015807 | 0.017154 | 2,333 | 2,882 | 5,215 | 2,596 | 1,872 | 302 | 9,985 |
| Douglas | 0.037196 | 0.040368 | 5,490 | 6,783 | 12,273 | 6,110 | 4,405 | 710 | 23,498 |
| Aldersgate | 0.028456 | 0.030879 | 4,200 | 5,189 | 9,389 | 4,674 | 3,370 | 543 | 17,976 |
| Northern Light* | 0.034908 | 0.000000 | 0 | 6,365 | 6,365 | 5,734 | 4,134 | 666 | 16,899 |
| First Ketchikan | 0.027961 | 0.030345 | 4,127 | 5,099 | 9,226 | 4,593 | 3,311 | 534 | 17,664 |
| Sitka | 0.025591 | 0.027768 | 3,776 | 4,666 | 8,442 | 4,204 | 3,031 | 489 | 16,166 |
| CONFERENCE TOTAL | 1.000000 | 1.000000 | 136,000 | 182,346 | 318,346 | 164,259 | 118,428 | 19,089 | 620,122 |

# XII. RULES OF ORDER

## DIVISION 1 . . .ORGANIZATION OF THE ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

**R1.00 . . . CONVENING:** The Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC) shall convene its Annual Meeting on the date set by the Presiding Bishop of the area as provided in the United Methodist Discipline (Disc., 2000, Para. 603.2).

**R1.05 . . . PLANNING COMMITTEE:** The Annual Meeting Planning Committee (AMPC) shall plan the Annual Meeting. (See R5.1002 for the composition and duties of this committee.)

## DIVISION 2 . . . MEMBERSHIP

**R2.00 . . . CATEGORIES:** The categories of clergy membership in the AMC shall be:

**AFFILIATE:** Ordained United Methodist clergy appointed by the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) and the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve United Methodist Churches and/or ecumenical agencies and union churches within the boundaries of the AMC shall have affiliate status and full voting rights. Affiliate means to be connected to the AMC without membership as a ministerial member (Disc., 2000, Para. 559.4b).

**ADJUNCT:** Ordained United Methodist Clergy appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve United Methodist churches and/or ecumenical agencies and union churches within the boundaries of the AMC, but not appointed by the GBGM, shall have adjunct status and voting rights in the AMC except on matters of ordination, election of general and jurisdictional conference delegates, constitutional amendments, and other general church concerns. Adjunct is defined as having temporary relationship.

**COLLEGIAL:** Ordained clergy of other denominations who meet disciplinary requirements (Disc., 2000, Para. 337.2) and who are appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve in United Methodist Churches or are hired by ecumenical agencies shall have the same right of participation as adjunct members. Collegial means in association with the AMC.

**R2.01 . . . COVENANT STATEMENT:** The Alaska Missionary Conference at its 1996 Annual Meeting established the right of full ministerial membership. As we enter this time of transition toward conference membership, it is important as persons, lay and clergy of the AMC in this conference, to affirm what it means to be the Alaska Missionary Conference of The United Methodist Church. As persons fully aware of the expanded opportunities for ministry in the Alaska Missionary Conference, and with the knowledge that because of that opportunity we will become a different body, some of whom will be full members and others who will be affiliate members of the Alaska Missionary Conference, we covenant together to

- pray for the well-being of each person and their ministry and pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this emerging conference and its leaders
- recognize the unique nature of our conference and to work against any process or perception that would unnecessarily highlight the differentiation between the members and the affiliates and thus fragment our community.
- acknowledge and respect the theological, cultural, professional and gender diversity that we represent, by modeling inclusiveness at all levels, conscientiously respecting professional boundaries both in our personal lives and in our corporate life together and actively upholding and affirming each other's ministries.
- participate, to the best of our ability, in conference activities so that our connections with each other will be strengthened through genuine support and accountability.
- be assertive when we feel we have been wronged, stay in dialogue when disagreements arise, utilize the process set forth in our Discipline, recognize and adhere to the

lines of authority expressed therein and strive to be fair and kind in our speech and our process

- actively welcome and encourage new members, both temporary and permanent, while respecting and listening to the insights and experience of our established members. "Support without accountability promotes moral weakness; accountability without support is a form of cruelty." (2000 Discipline, Par. 101: General Rules and Social Principles)

We the people of God called United Methodist, in ministry in the Alaska Missionary Conference, grounded in the creative power of the living Word, and immersed in the grace of God through Jesus the Christ, commit ourselves to this covenant. May we truly be to each other and to the world the body of Christ.

**R2.03...SUPERINTENDENCY:** If the presiding bishop appoints more than one person to superintend the work of the Church in the AMC, then there shall be formed a Superintending Team (Team). The Team shall consist of those persons appointed by the bishop to superintend the Church in the AMC. The Team shall form its own organization and shall choose for itself, under the supervision of the bishop, how it shall divide the work of superintending. However, each church in the AMC will receive clear and prompt information about which member of the Team is to be that church's primary contact among the Team members for advice and assistance as required.

The Team will choose for itself which member shall perform the superintending functions specified in these rules, and on any body of the AMC which requires membership of the AMC superintendent, any one or more members of the Team may represent the Team. However, if more than one Team member attends a meeting of such a body, then only one will be empowered with vote on those bodies on which the superintendent has a vote. In the interest of continuity and order the Team is encouraged to maintain consistent representation on each AMC body providing for membership of a superintendent.

**R2.05 . . . INSTITUTION AND AGENCY MEMBERS:** Institutions and agencies related to the AMC and/or the GBGM shall be fully franchised in the AMC and shall be allowed two (2) voting members (one lay person and one clergy), both of whom shall be members of The United Methodist Church in accordance with constitutional requirements (Disc., 2000, Para 559.5). Institutions and agencies currently related to the AMC are:

Alaska Children's Services, Inc.
Alaska Pacific University
Nome Community Center
United Campus Ministry, Inc. Fairbanks
University Community Ministry, Anchorage
Wesley Rehabilitation Center of Seward

**R2.10 . . . LAY MEMBERSHIP FROM CHURCHES:** The charge conference of each charge shall elect a lay member and one (1) or more alternate members of the AMC quadrennially at the charge conference following the quadrennial meeting of the General Conference. Lay members whose terms would otherwise expire at the end of 2003 will, with the enactment of this rule, have their terms extended through 31 December 2004. Each charge served by more than one clergy shall be entitled to as many lay members as there are clergy. Each congregation of a charge shall be entitled to lay representation, provided there are not more than two (2) lay members from each congregation.

**R2.15 . . . LAY MEMBERS AT LARGE:** The AMC lay leader, the president of United Methodist Women (UMW), president or one of the members of the Conference Council of Youth Ministry (CCYM), diaconal ministers serving in the AMC, and the active deconesses under episcopal appointment within the bounds of the AMC shall be members of the AMC provided that they have been members of The United Methodist Church for at least two (2) years (Disc., 2000, Para. 30).

**R2.20 . . . NON-MEMBER PARTICIPATION:** Non-members of the AMC having membership on one of its agencies, units, councils, committees, task forces, or societies shall be entitled to the privilege of the floor, without vote, on matters relating to the report of said unit, council, committee, task force, or society. In addition the following persons shall have the privilege of the floor without vote:

Lay home missionaries related to the GBGM

Other missionaries serving within the bounds of the AMC

A CCYM representative from each region

A representative of a fellowship meeting regularly and authorized by the AMC Superintendent

The AMC may authorize national workers, pastors of ecumenical parishes, official visitors of other denominations, and ordained United Methodist clergy who are not otherwise members of the AMC to be accorded the same privilege.

**R2.25 . . . EQUAL MEMBERSHIP:** In order to achieve equality of lay and clergy membership at the Annual Meeting, the Presiding Bishop and AMC Superintendent may appoint a committee each year to select lay persons to equalize membership (Disc., 2000, Para. 30).

**DIVISION 3 . . . ATTENDANCE**

**R3.00 . . . ATTENDANCE:** Clergy members, lay members, local pastors, and home missionaries are expected to attend the Annual Meeting sessions on a full-time basis unless excused by the AMC superintendent.

**R3.05 . . . REIMBURSEMENT:** Reimbursement for approved expenses as defined by the Council on Finance and Administration will be paid for clergy members, lay members, local pastors, home missionaries, diaconal ministers, deaconesses, the AMC secretary, the statistician, the treasurer, the historian, the chancellor, the chairperson of the CFA, and AMC staff personnel as approved by the AMC Superintendent.

**DIVISION 4 . . . OFFICERS OF THE ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE**

**R4.00 . . . NUMBER, NAME, AND MANNER OF ELECTION:** The officers of the AMC shall be:

President: The Presiding Bishop of the Area presides at all sessions of the AMC.

Secretary: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected at the first session of the AMC following the general conference, the Secretary serves for a quadrennium and keeps the minutes of all sessions of the AMC and edits the journal of the AMC.

Statistician: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected at the first session of the AMC following the General Conference, the Statistician serves for a quadrennium and keeps the statistical record of the AMC.

Treasurer: Nominated by CFA with the confirmation by the AMC at its next session, the Treasurer manages the financial office of the AMC and provides reports of financial operation.

Conference Coordinating Council Chairperson: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations at the Annual Meeting following General Conference. Shall serve for the quadrennium.

Historian: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations, the Historian keeps the historical record of the AMC.

Chancellor: Nominated by the Presiding Bishop of the Area with the concurrence of the AMC, the Chancellor serves as general counsel on legal matters for the AMC.

Assistant Secretary (ies) and Statistician(s): Nominated annually by the Secretary and Statistician respectively, or appointed ad interim with concurrence of the AMC at its opening session, the assistants provide assistance in the recording of the minutes and tabulation of statistics of the AMC.

**DIVISION 5 . . . STANDING COMMITTEES, UNITS, AND COUNCILS OF THE ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.**

**R5.00 . . . NAME AND NUMBER:** The standing committees, units, and councils of the AMC shall be:

Administrative Unit
Alaska Christian Conference Delegation
Annual Meeting Planning Committee
Commission on Archives and History
Committee on Communications
Committee on Mission Personnel
Committee on Nominations
Conference Coordinating Council
Conference Council on Youth Ministry
Continuing Consultation with the General Board of Global Ministries
Council on Finance and Administration
Courtesy Committee
Joint Missionary Conference Consultation Committee
Native Ministry Committee
New Ministries Committee
Outdoor Ministries Committee
Professional Ministry Unit
Board of Laity
Regional Program Councils for Southeast, Northern, Southcentral, and Kenai Peninsula Regions.

**R5.0100...**In order to ensure compliance with the United Methodist Book of Discipline, the function of each annual conference agency specified in the Discipline shall be filled by an AMC agency as indicated herein following. By a method to be selected by the conference agency to which responsibility for the area of ministry is herein assigned, the agency shall select a member to bear principal responsibility for that ministry.

| DISCIPLINARY PROVISION | AMC AGENCY |
|---|---|
| Committee on Nominations603.9.a | Committee on Nominations R5.1005. |
| Committee Planning Annual Conference ¶603.9.a | Annual Meeting Planning Committee R5.1002 Sessions |
| Council on Finance and Administration¶609 | Council on Finance and Administration R5.1009 |
| Commission on Equitable Compensation¶623 | Administrative Unit R5.1000 |
| Board of Church and Society¶627 | Southcentral Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Board of Discipleship¶628 | Kenai Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Board of Laity¶629 | Board of Laity R5.1017 |
| Board of Global Ministries¶630 | Northern Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Committee on Parish and Community Development¶630.5 | Southcentral Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry¶631 | Southeast Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Board of Ordained Ministry¶632 | Professional Ministries Unit R5.1015 |
| Board of Pensions¶636 | Administrative Unit R5.1000 |
| Board of Trustees¶637 | Administrative Unit R5.1000 |
| Commission on Archives and History¶638 | Commission on Archives and History R5.1003 |

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| Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns¶639 | Alaska Christian Conference Delegation R5.1001 |
| Commission on Religion and Race¶640 | Southcentral Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Commission on the Status and Role of Women¶641 | Southeast Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Commission on the Small Membership Church¶642 | Kenai Regional Program Council R5.1016 |
| Commission on Communications¶643 | Committee on Communications R5.1004 |
| Council on Youth Ministry¶646 | Council on Youth Ministry R5.1007 |
| Committee on Disability Concerns¶649 | Administrative Unit R5.1000 |
| Committee on Native American Ministry¶650 | Native Ministries Committee R5.1012 |

**R5.0500 . . . PLENARY POWER:** All standing committees, units, and councils shall have plenary power in the interim between sessions of the AMC.

**R5.0501 . . . COMPOSITION:** The Committee on Nominations in forwarding nominations to the AMC for standing committees, units, and councils shall strive for balance with regard to ethnicity, gender, and region in their membership.

**R5.0502 . . . TENURE:** No person shall serve on any standing committee, council, or unit of the AMC (whose members are elected by the AMC) more than eight (8) years, consecutively, and chairpersons shall not serve more than four (4) years, consecutively, with the following exceptions:

•Service of one (1) or two (2) years to fill a vacant position on a quadrennially elected standing committee shall not be counted for the purpose of this rule.

•In the case of committees elected in other term classes, the maximum period of service shall be two (2) terms, with the provision that a one (1) year filling of a vacancy prior to the first term shall not count for the purpose of this rule.

•Exofficio members who serve by virtue of their office, including members of the CCC, shall not be affected by this rule.

**R5.0503 . . . ORGANIZATION:** Standing committees, units, and councils shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and secretary except Administrative Unit, Commission on Archives and History, Conference Coordinating Council, Native Ministry Committee, New Ministries Committee, Council on Finance and Administration, and Outdoor Ministries Committee.

**R5.10 . . . DEFINITION AND DESCRIPTION**

**R5.1000 . . . ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the Administrative Unit is to serve in the AMC as the Board of Trustees (2512), the Commission on Equitable Compensation (623), the Board of Pensions (636), the District Board of Church Location and Building (2518), the AMC Foundation Committee (611.16), and the Rules Committee.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION...**There shall be twelve (12) members, and it is recommended that one-third be clergy, one third laywomen, and one-third laymen, in accordance with the provisions of 2512.1. Among the twelve members, the AMC Superintendent and the AMC Treasurer shall serve as full voting members, except that if the Treasurer is a member of the paid staff of the AMC, the Treasurer shall serve as a member without vote. The members shall elect their own officers in accordance with 2512.2.

**MEETINGS . . .** The Administrative Unit shall meet at least two (2) times per year.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

To fulfill the requirements of the United Methodist Discipline and the Rules of the AMC related to equitable compensation, property and associated matters, pensions and benefits, church location and building, and AMC rules of order.

To oversee the management and affairs of the Alaska United Methodist Foundation convened for that purpose as the AMC Board of Trustees which shall also serve as the AMC Foundation Committee.

To propose to the AMC such amendments (if any) to the AMC rules of order as may be necessary to keep the rules up-to-date with the practice and operation of the AMC.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The Administrative Unit shall be accountable to the AMC and shall be linked to the Conference Coordinating Council through its chair who shall be a CCC member.

**R5.1001 . . . ALASKA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE DELEGATION**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the Conference is to clarify and strengthen our witness to Christ as Lord of the church and world by:

A. Acknowledging Christ's Lordship in worship, word, and action.

B. Attempting to apply more effectively the substance and insights of the Christian Gospel to the structures and institutions of this state, reminding all that every structure exists to serve humanity and is accountable to God.

C. Providing means of cooperation and communication with agencies and movements that further the common purpose of the members of the Conference.

D. Providing forums and places of communication and sharing work of the churches as a means whereby duplication of offices and efforts may be lessened.

E. Doing together all things save those which we must in conscience and obedience do separately.

F. Promoting the spirit of ecumenism, cultivation of inter-church fellowship in communities throughout the state, and fostering dialogue in the realm of faith and order.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** Each member ecclesiastical unit shall be entitled to five (5) representatives (executive, clergy, layman, laywoman, and youth under 21 years of age) in the Assembly plus one (1) additional person for each 1,000 confirmed or adult members or major fraction thereof. At least one-half (1/2) of the elected representatives of each member unit shall be lay persons.

There shall be an Executive Board composed of:

1. One administrator of each member ecclesiastical unit.
2. The officers of the Assembly.
3. One lay representative of each member ecclesiastical body.

Delegates of the AMC to the ACC who serve by virtue of their office shall serve during the term of their effective appointment. Other delegates shall serve for a two-year period and shall be elected at the Annual Meeting preceding the meeting of the ACC Assembly.

**MEETINGS . . .** A biennial meeting of the Assembly shall be held at a time and place set by the ACC Executive Board. The Executive Board shall meet at least semi-annually. Special sessions may be called.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** The duties and responsibilities are such as shall enhance the purpose of the ACC. Those elected by the Alaska Missionary Conference shall be expected to attend the biennial assembly.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . .** The autonomy and integrity of each ecclesiastical unit will be respected at all times. A report shall be made to the Annual Meeting of the AMC immediately following each biennial Assembly.

**R5.1002 . . . ANNUAL MEETING PLANNING COMMITTEE (AMPC)**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the Annual Meeting Planning Committee is to oversee the planning of the Annual Meeting of the AMC.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The members of the AMPC shall be the Bishop of the area, the AMC Superintendent, the AMC Director of Connectional Ministries, the Conference Secretary, the AMC-UMW President or representative, the Chair for Worship (appointed by the AMPC), and the Pastor and Lay Leader of the host church or charge. In the

event that a church-related institution is host, representatives of the host agency shall be added to the committee, together with such Pastor(s) as the AMC shall appoint.

The AMC Superintendent shall convene the AMPC.

The AMPC shall be appointed annually.

**MEETINGS . . .** Meetings shall be called as needed to plan the Annual Meeting.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** The AMPC is responsible for planning the Annual Meeting, its budget, sessions, local arrangements, and any other concerns as needed.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The AMPC is directly amenable to the AMC and the Presiding Bishop.

**R5.1003 . . . COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY**

**PURPOSE . . .** The Commission on Archives and History shall retain, share and interpret the history of the Alaska Missionary Conference. It shall work diligently to interest the present members of the Conference and others throughout the United Methodist Church in the history of the Alaska Missionary Conference.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** the Committee on Nominations shall nominate a Chair and five members, at least two clergy and two lay, to serve for a quadrennium. The Committee on Nominations shall nominate a conference historian and at least one and no more than two conference archivists. These persons shall serve as ex-officio members of the Commission and will be included in the total of six members of the Commission. The archivist shall be responsible for maintaining a catalogue of the location and content of all items stored for present and future use. The historian shall be available to assist local churches in planning historical observances, be available to assist the AMC in celebrating periodic historical occasions and interpret to the conference the work and mission of the United Methodist Commission on Archives and History.

**MEETINGS . . .** The Commission shall meet at least twice a year by tele-conference. Other meetings will be scheduled as funds are available.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** The Commission shall collect historical books, documents, journals, photographs, video and audio tapes containing important historical data and carry out the best means possible of preserving the historical record, both past and present, of the Alaska Missionary Conference. It shall transmit items to the United Methodist Archives as are of general church interest.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . .** The Commission on Archives and History shall be accountable to the Alaska Missionary Conference and shall send a written report to the AMC. It shall send a written report to the Conference Coordinating Committee at its annual meeting. The AMC Superintendent shall be the staff contact.

**R5.1004 . . . COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the Committee on Communications is to encourage and facilitate communication within the churches and agencies of the AMC and with the general United Methodist Church.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** A communications coordinator shall be nominated quadrennially by the Committee on Nominations. That person shall serve on the Committee on Communications with as many others as are necessary to do the work.

**MEETINGS . . .** The committee shall meet informally as needed.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** (see purpose)

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** Directly accountable to the AMC through the nomination process.

**R5.1005 . . . COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS (CON)**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of CON is to select persons to place in nomination before the AMC to fill such vacancies as there may be in the organization of the AMC.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership of the CON shall be nominated from the floor at the first session of the AMC following the general conference. The members shall serve for the succeeding quadrennium. Eight (8) persons shall be elected from the nominees: four (4) clergy and four (4) lay persons. The AMC Superintendent and the AMC Lay Leader shall also serve on the CON. Vacancies which occur between Annual Meetings will be filled at the succeeding session of the Annual Meeting of the AMC. The Superintendent of the AMC chairs the CON.

**MEETINGS . . .** Meetings are held at least annually at Annual Meeting and at such other times as may be considered necessary to do the business of the committee.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** (spelled out in PURPOSE)

To nominate the chairpersons of the following Conference Committees: Administrative Unit, New Ministries, Native Ministries, Outdoor Ministries, and Conference Coordinating Council. All other officers shall be elected by the committees, units, or council themselves.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . .** The CON is directly accountable to the AMC through its nomination of the committee from the floor.

**R5.1006 . . . CONFERENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL (CCC)**

**PURPOSE . . .** The CCC shall coordinate the work of the Regional Program Councils (RPC) and working units, supervising the implementation of the AMC priority strategies and guiding the AMC concerning ongoing strategic planning of program ministry. The CCC will also be the arena for addressing general church and conference themes and issues.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** It is recommended that the membership of the CCC should be comprised of approximately 50% laity and 50% clergy. The following are members of the CCC:

The Presiding Bishop of the Area
The AMC Superintendent
The AMC Director of Connectional Ministries
The AMC Lay Leader
The Chairperson of the Conference Coordinating Council
The AMC-UMW President or representatives
The Conference Council on Youth Ministry President or representative
The CF&A President or elected representative
The Professional Ministry Unit Chair or elected representative
The Administrative Unit Chair or elected representative
The Native Ministry Committee Chair or an elected representative
The New Ministries Committee Chair or an elected representative
The Outdoor Ministries Chair or an elected representative
The four (4) Regional Program Council chairs or their elected representatives
The Chairperson of the Conference Commission on Archives and History or their elected representative
Any UMC member in the AMC who serves as a director of any UM general agency
A representative of the Board of Global Ministries (exofficio without vote)
The AMC Treasurer (exofficio without vote unless the treasurer serves as a volunteer not hired by the AMC)

The CCC shall elect its own leaders according to R5.0503 except for the Chairperson. The Chairperson shall be elected quadrennially by the AMC at the Annual Meeting following the General Conference and shall be an officer of the AMC.

**MEETINGS . . .** The CCC shall meet at least twice (2 times) during the conference year.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .**

1. Coordinate and oversee the administrative functions necessary to ensure that the Regional Program Councils will be able to carry out the ministry of the AMC
2. Coordinate the work of the working units and councils
3. Supervise the implementation of priority strategies
4. Guide the AMC in ongoing strategic planning of program ministry
5. Serve as the arena for addressing, discussing, and implementing action concerning AMC and general church issues and themes
6. Work with the Director of Connectional Ministries in implementing program ministry

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** Because the CCC membership comes from the administration, standing committees, units, and councils of the AMC, the accountability and linkage shall be through its members and their representatives.

**R5.1007 . . . CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON YOUTH MINISTRY (CCYM)**

**PURPOSE . . .** To empower youth in their relationship with the Spirit of God as revealed in Jesus Christ, strengthening youth ministry in the local churches and organizations of the AMC, and facilitating the youths' own efforts to invite others into relationship as disciples of Christ.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The recommended membership of the CCYM is two (2) youth representatives and one (1) adult regional advisor from each of the four regions of the Conference. The youth representatives shall elect a President from within their body who has full voting rights in the AMC. In addition, CCYM regional youth representatives or designated alternates will have privilege of the floor without vote.

**MEETINGS . . .** It is recommended that the CCYM have an annual meeting.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** The duties of the CCYM shall be:

To initiate and support plans and activities and projects that are of particular interest to youth.

To be an advocate for the free expression of the convictions of youth on issues vital to them.

To support and facilitate, where deemed necessary, the formation of youth caucuses.

To cooperate with the boards and agencies of the AMC, receiving recommendations from and making recommendations to the same.

To elect and certify AMC representatives to the Western Jurisdictional Youth Ministry Convocation and the United Methodist Youth Organization.

To receive and set the policy and criteria for its portion of the Youth Service Fund, establish the policy for YSF education, and be responsible for YSF promotion throughout the AMC.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The CCYM is linked by its President or other elected representative to the CCC. The CCYM is responsible to the CF&A for its operational budget and expenditures. The CCYM will make a yearly report of its efforts to the Annual Meeting of the AMC.

**R5.1008 . . . CONTINUING CONSULTATION COMMITTEE**

**PURPOSE . . .** The Continuing Consultation Committee monitors the relationship between the AMC and the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM).

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership of the Continuing Consultation Committee is:

The Presiding Bishop of the Area

The AMC Superintendent

Four (4) persons elected from the membership of the Joint Missionary Conference Consultation by the AMC, including in their membership at least one (1) lay person, an ordained clergy, and a woman.

Alternates for those who cannot attend meetings will be selected by the Presiding Bishop of the Area and the AMC Superintendent from members of the Joint Missionary Conference Consultation.

The membership of the Continuing Consultation Committee shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by the AMC each quadrennium at the meeting immediately following the General Conference. The membership from the GBBM shall include the liaison staff person to the AMC and any other persons deemed appropriate by the General Secretary of the GBGM.

**MEETINGS . . .** The Continuing Consultation Committee shall meet at least once (1 time) per year. Expenses for any meeting are the responsibility of the GBGM.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .**The duties and responsibilities shall include but not be limited to:

Development of working personnel policies between GBGM and AMC.

Development of working policies relating to land and property issues between GBGM and AMC.

Interpretation of the 2000 Disc., Para. 558 as it relates to AMC/GBGM.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . .**The Continuing Consultation Committee will link any appropriate policy changes to the appropriate committees. A report will be made at each Annual Meeting of any policy changes or revisions.

**R5.1009 . . . COUNCIL ON FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION (CFA)**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the CFA is to develop, maintain, and administer a comprehensive and coordinated plan of fiscal and administrative policies, procedures, and management services for the AMC.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership of CFA shall be:

Seven (7) persons — four (4) lay persons and three (3) clergy. AMC Treasurer (exofficio without vote) — shall serve as Treasurer of the CFA.

Any member of the General Council on Finance and Administration (exofficio with vote providing their membership is not in conflict with any other provision of the Book of Discipline, in which case it shall be without vote). GCFA members cannot serve on an agency receiving funding from the CFA.

The Presiding Bishop of the Area (exofficio without vote)

The AMC Superintendent (exofficio without vote)

The Director of Connectional Ministries (exofficio without vote)

The CFA shall elect its own leaders according to R5.0503.

**MEETINGS . . .** The CFA shall meet at least two times per year.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .**

To fulfill the duties and responsibilities as required in The Book of Discipline, 2000, Paragraphs 611-616 and the AMC Rules.

To develop, maintain, and administer fiscal and administrative policies and procedures for the AMC.

To cooperate with the Administrative Unit in providing management services for the AMC.

To provide for and administer the financial developments of the AMC in cooperation with the Administrative Unit.

To develop and manage the yearly budget of the AMC.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . .** The CFA President is a member of the CCC.

**R5.1010 . . . COURTESY COMMITTEE**

**PURPOSE . . .** The Courtesy Committee provides acts and/or tokens of courtesy and appreciation at the AMC Annual Meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP . . .** The Presiding Bishop of the Area shall appoint one (1) clergy and one (1) lay person to be the Courtesy Committee for the quadrennium.

**MEETINGS . . .** The Courtesy Committee shall meet in consultation with the AMC Superintendent and/or Director of Connectional Ministries before the Annual Meeting and as needed during the Annual Meeting.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

To make a public presentation of gratitude for persons and/or groups who have assisted in the Annual Meeting experience or in the life of the AMC.

To present an itemized list of expenses to the Annual Meeting Planning Committee at the conclusion of their work.

To request a special solicitation of funds from the AMC members to cover specific expenses before they are incurred (i.e. gifts).

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The Courtesy Committee is accountable to the AMPC through the AMC Superintendent.

**R5.1011 . . . JOINT MISSIONARY CONFERENCE CONSULTATION**

**PURPOSE . . .** The Joint Missionary Conference Consultation serves as a link between all of the Missionary Conferences and the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM).

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership shall be:

The Presiding Bishop of the Area

The AMC Superintendent

President, United Methodist Women

Lay Leader, Alaska Missionary Conference

A group of six (6) additional persons whose recommended composition shall be at least two (2) clergy, two (2) lay persons, and two (2) women nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by the AMC each quadrennium at the Annual Meeting immediately following General Conference.

**MEETINGS . . .** Meetings of the Joint Missionary Conference Consultation are called at the discretion of the GBGM. The GBGM pays the expenses of meetings.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** The Joint Missionary Conference Consultation is responsible for coordination of issues pertaining to Missionary Conferences and/or any necessary General Conference legislation that is pending.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** A report shall be made to the AMC at its Annual Meeting next following any meetings of the committee.

**R5.1012 . . . NATIVE MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the Native Ministries Committee is to be in ministry with Alaska's native peoples and to celebrate the enrichment Alaskans share as they worship and minister together.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership of the Native Ministries Committee shall be:

Six (6) lay persons

Three (3) clergy

The membership shall be at least 50% Native American Persons

The Native Ministries Committee shall elect its own leaders with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected at Annual Meeting.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** The Duties of the Native Ministries Committee shall be:

To raise the consciousness of Alaska United Methodists concerning the problems of racism in Alaska and in the world.

To encourage all Alaskan United Methodists to become more aware of its historic relationship to Alaska's Native peoples and their culture.

To encourage and assist the developments of ministry and church extension projects to, for, and with Alaska's Native peoples.

To assist in the implementation of the priority strategy of Native Ministry.

To solicit funds for Native Ministries through the Advanced Special giving channels of the church and especially through the Native American Awareness Sunday Offering (last Sunday in April or other appropriate Sunday).

To administer 50% of the portion of the Native American Awareness Sunday offering that remains in Alaska.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The Native Ministries Committee Chair or designated representative shall be a member of the CCC. Fifty percent (50%) of the portion of the Native American Awareness Sunday offering that remains in Alaska shall be used for Native Ministries work.

**R5.1013 . . . NEW MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

**PURPOSE . . .** The New Ministries Committee shall plan and coordinate new church development and church extension activities within the AMC.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership of the New Ministries Committee shall be:

Four (4) laypersons

Four (4) clergy

The New Ministries Committee shall elect its own leaders with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected at Annual Meeting.

**MEETINGS . . .** The New Ministries Committee shall meet at least twice (2 times) per year.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .** At the direction of the Presiding Bishop and the Annual Meeting, the New Ministries Committee shall:

Administer all church extension funds of the AMC, including planning and coordinating all church extension activities, soliciting funds for church extension through Advance Special giving, publicizing church extension activities, and assisting missionaries on itineration.

Assist in the implementation of the priority strategy of new church development.

To actively promote the development of new ministries within the AMC.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The New Ministries Committee shall work at the direction of the Presiding Bishop. It shall be accountable to the AMC Annual Meeting for its efforts in implementing the strategy for New Church Development. The Chair or a designated representative of the Committee shall serve on the CCC. One member shall be a member of the Administrative Unit.

**R5.1014 . . . CONFERENCE OUTDOOR MINISTRIES**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the Conference Outdoor Ministries Committee is to enable and implement successful off-site and on-site camping and retreat ministries and to do so by providing general coordination in the form of guidance, training, funding, organization, and networking.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The committee will consist of eight (8) members, four (4) laity and four (4) clergy, including at least one representative each from the Birchwood Camp Committee, Southeast Camp Committee, and Hope Retreat Center.

Each committee will select its representative and the Committee on Nominations will select the others seeking regional balance, to be elected at the Annual Meeting.

The chairperson will be nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations, elected at Annual Meeting and be a voting member of the Conference Coordinating Council.

The committee will meet at least once a year.

**R5.1015 . . . PROFESSIONAL MINISTRIES UNIT (PMU)**

**PURPOSE . . .** The Professional Ministries Unit oversees and reviews all matters pertaining to the professional ministry of the AMC (ordained and diaconal).

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The membership of the Professional Ministries Unit shall be:

Five (5) members nominated by the Presiding Bishop in consultation with the Chair of the Professional Ministries Unit:

— Three (3) ordained clergy
— One (1) diaconal minister
— One (1) layperson

Three (3) members nominated by the AMC Committee on Nominations:

— One (1) ordained clergy
— Two (2) laypersons

It is suggested that consideration be given to having at least one (1) member be a clergy under special appointment (e.g., institutional chaplain, agency director, or staff person).

Lay persons shall be full participants in the work of the Professional Ministry Unit except in cases governed by provisions of the United Methodist Discipline (Disc., 2000, Para. 31, 632).

The AMC representatives to the Western Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopacy shall serve exofficio.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

To perform the functions of the Committee on Episcopacy as outlined in the United Methodist Discipline (Disc., 2000, Para. 634).

To administer the continuing education funds for ordained clergy and diaconal ministry.

To act as the Annual Conference Board of Higher Education and Ministry thus providing a means of accountability for local campus ministries.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** The Professional Ministry Unit shall be accountable to the Presiding Bishop and to the AMC through its membership on the CCC.

**R5.1016 . . . REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCILS (RPC)**

**PURPOSE . . .** The purpose of the RPCs is to coordinate and enhance the effectiveness of programming in the churches of the four regions of the AMC.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . .** The recommended membership of each RPC is:

The Pastor and lay member to AMC from each church in the region.
Other ordained clergy as defined in R2.000.
Local pastors from local churches.
Active diaconal minister.
Campus ministers within the region.
A United Methodist Woman representative.

Three (3) at-large members elected from the region at the first RPC meeting of the quadrennium, the recommended persons being a youth (age 13-18), a young adult (age 18-30), and an ethnic minority person.

The Presiding Bishop (Exofficio without vote)
The AMC Superintendent (Exofficio without vote)
Council Director (Exofficio without vote)
The definition of each region is:

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Aldersgate-Juneau
Douglas
Ketchikan
Northern Light-Juneau
Sitka
3 Members at Large

NORTHERN REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Fairbanks-First
Fairbanks-St. Paul
New Hope United Church-North Pole
Nome Community
Parks Highway Ministry; Willow-Trapper Creek
United Campus Ministry-Fairbanks
Wasilla
3 Members at large

SOUTHCENTRAL REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Anchorage-Anchor Park
Anchorage-East
Anchorage-First
Anchorage-Jewel Lake
Anchorage-Korean
Anchorage-St. John
Anchorage-Turnagain
Chugiak
Girdwood
Unalaska
University Community Ministry-Anchorage
Alaska Children's Services
Birchwood Camp
3 Members at Large and Native Ministry

KENAI PENINSULA REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Homer
Kenai
Moose Pass
Ninilchik
North Star
Seward
Soldotna
3 Members at Large

Each RPC shall elect its own chair to serve for a four- (4-) year term, alternating clergy and laity. The recommended alternation is that the Kenai Peninsula and the Northern Regions should elect clergy chairs for the first two (2) years of any quadrennium and the Southeast and Southcentral Regions should elect clergy chairs for the last two (2) years of any quadrennium so as to maintain a proper balance of lay and clergy persons on the CCC. The chair is the linking person for the region to the CCC.

Each RPC shall elect its own leaders according to R5.0503.

**MEETINGS . . .** Each RPC shall meet a minimum of three (3) times a year.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Coordinate and implement Conference programming as determined by the CCC.
2. Explore ministries and programs that can be developed better at a regional level as opposed to a local church level.
3. Provide input to the CCC for the development of Conference-wide programs and priorities.
4. Where possible, provide the linkage of youth within the region.
5. Sharing models for ministry from local churches so that "what works" might be duplicated in other churches.

6. Explore "new ministries" within the region by working with the CCC and the New Ministries Committee.

7. Develop regional mission emphasis—such as VIM, local mission, Missionary support, etc.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . .** Each RPC is linked by its chair to the CCC. Each RPC is responsible to the CF&A for its operating budget and expenditures. Each RPC will make a yearly report of its efforts to the Annual Meeting of the AMC.

R5.1017...BOARD OF LAITY

**PURPOSE...**The purpose of the AMC Board of Laity shall be to provide ministries to the laity of the conference as defined in 629 of the Book of Discipline.

**MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION...**The board will consist of the AMC Lay Leader, the Presidents of United Methodist Women and United Methodist Men, and one lay representative elected by each of the four regional program councils, which representative may be a member of the electing program council. The AMC Lay Leader will chair the board, which will meet, either in person or electronically, at the call of the AMC Lay Leader.

**DIVISION 6 . . . PROCEDURES**

**R6.00 . . . SESSIONS:** The hours of convening and adjourning the Annual Meeting shall be fixed by the Annual Meeting Planning Committee. A printed program shall be presented for adoption as the order of the Annual Meeting at the time of the organizing meeting.

**R6.04...DEBATE:** Debate shall be governed by the rules of the most recent General Conference, except no member addressing the conference shall be limited to a specific length of speaking time unless such time limit be established by majority vote of the AMC. If a motion to limit speaking time does not specify to which portion of the meeting of the AMC it applies, then the limitation will apply only until the recess or adjournment which follows the adoption of the motion. When the rules of General Conference do not govern any situation of debate, Robert's Rules of Order will apply.

**R6.05 RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS, AND PETITIONS**

**R6.0500 SUBMISSION:** All resolutions, petitions, and motions (except procedural motions) introduced by a member of the AMC, or by anyone authorized to submit such to the AMC, shall be submitted in written form to the AMC Secretary. Resolutions, petitions, and motions may be withdrawn by the mover at any time prior to amendment or adoption.

**R6.0501 AUTHORIZATION TO PETITION:** Any AMC member, local congregation member, local congregation, organization or agency of the AMC may present petitions to the AMC for consideration by the AMC at its annual meeting.

**R6.0502 DUE DATE:** Petitions must be submitted to the AMC office not less than six (6) weeks prior to the convening of the annual meeting. Petitions submitted after the due date cannot be considered without the concurrence of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting.

**R6.0503 PROCEDURE:** Petitions submitted by AMC commissions, committees, units, councils, boards, and agencies will be considered on the floor of the AMC without referral. Petitions submitted by all others may, at the discretion of the presiding officer, be submitted to one or more Legislative Committees to be made up of members of the AMC as directed by the Secretary.

**R6.0504 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES:** Petitions referred to a Legislative Committee by the presiding officer shall be considered by the committee, and the committee shall vote concurrence or non-concurrence. A vote to concur is a vote to present the petition to the entire AMC for consideration and action. A vote of non-concurrence means the petition cannot be presented to a plenary session of the AMC unless at least twenty five percent (25%) of the members present and voting approve its introduction.

**R6.0505 FORM AND CONTENT:** The AMC Secretary, at the Secretary's discretion, shall prepare and distribute throughout the AMC a suggested form that may be

used for the submission of petitions to the AMC. While a petitioner is not bound to submit petitions on the form provided, the petition should provide information as requested on the form. In addition to providing the petition in printed form, petitioners are strongly encouraged to submit petitions on electronic media as prescribed by the Secretary. If the printed form of the petition exceeds three pages, the petitioner shall bear responsibility for its reproduction and distribution.

**R6.15 EPISCOPAL NOMINATIONS**

**R6.1500 SUBMISSION:** Any United Methodist elder otherwise qualified according to the Book of Discipline for election to be a United Methodist bishop may be proposed for nomination to the Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC). For consideration on the floor of the AMC the nomination must be submitted in writing, supported by the signatures of not fewer than three members of the AMC.

**R6.1501 DUE DATE:** The due date for submission of nomination proposals shall be no less than six (6) weeks prior to the convening of the Annual Meeting. Proposals for nomination submitted after the due date cannot be considered without the concurrence of at least two thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting.

**R6.1502 DISTRIBUTION:** Nomination proposals properly submitted and in timely fashion will be printed in the Pre-Annual Meeting Handbook of the AMC.

**R6.1503 FORMAT:** The proposed nomination must contain all the following elements:

1. A recently taken photograph, measuring at least 2 inches by 2 inches, of the candidate.
2. A biography of the candidate, to include the candidate's current Annual Conference membership status and prior professional service.
3. A statement of the candidate's qualifications.
4. The combination of biography and statement of qualifications is not to exceed 500 words
5. Requirements 1 through 4 may be waived by the Secretary with the submission of a document supporting the nomination of the candidate that has been approved and submitted in another conference, annual or jurisdictional, of the Western Jurisdiction.

**R6.1504 NOMINATION:** Debate will be permitted at the discretion of the presiding officer under the AMC rules for debate, and a vote will be taken by written ballot, which will be prepared and counted by the Secretary or by the Secretary's designated assistants. The vote count will be announced. Nomination of the candidate by the AMC requires the concurrence of a majority of the members present and voting.

**R6.17 LAY CANDIDACY FOR GENERAL & JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE**

**R6.1700 SUBMISSION:** Any laic eligible for election to be an AMC delegate to General or Jurisdictional Conference as provided in 34 of the United Methodist Book of Discipline may declare her(him)self to be a candidate. For an election year as provided in 502.4 of the Book of Discipline any candidate may submit to the AMC Secretary a Statement of Candidacy.

**R6.1701 DUE DATE:** The due date for submission of a Statement of Candidacy shall be no less than six (6) weeks prior to the convening of the Annual Meeting at which elections are to be held.

**R6.1702 DISTRIBUTION:** A Statement of Candidacy properly submitted and received on or before the due date will be printed in the Pre-Annual Meeting Handbook of the AMC.

**R6.1703 FORMAT:** A Statement of Candidacy shall include a statement of the candidate's qualifications. The Statement of Candidacy shall not exceed 500 words.

**R6.1704 ELECTION:** The method of election shall be as determined by the presiding officer.

**R6.18...GENERAL AND JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE DELEGATION:**

Delegates to the General Conference and the Western Jurisdictional Conference shall be elected and seated as provided in the Book of Discipline, and together the delegates so elected, along with alternates, shall be called the Alaska Missionary Conference Delegation. The AMC Delegation shall choose a chairperson from among the delegates to General Conference, giving due attention to the custom observed throughout The UMC of alternating from one quadrennium to the next between lay and clergy leadership. Unless otherwise provided in the rules of General Conference or of the Western Jurisdictional Conference the Delegation shall choose its representatives to any General Conference and Western Jurisdictional Conference bodies on which it is entitled to representation, giving due attention to the custom in the AMC that the delegates to General Conference serve on the Western Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopacy and the delegates to the Western Jurisdictional Conference serve on the Western Jurisdiction Committee on Nominations. The Delegation is encouraged to give priority attention to the provision in the rules of General Conference which permit a member of the Delegation to be present with voice on any Legislative Committee when a matter of concern to the constituents of the Delegation is being considered.

**R.6.20 . . . OFFERINGS:** The Annual Meeting communion offering and offerings to defray Annual Meeting expenses are automatically approved. Offerings of any other nature cannot be taken without the approval of the AMPC.

**R6.25 . . . LITURGICAL MATERIALS:** All liturgical materials prepared for use in worship at Annual Meeting or other AMC sponsored events shall be inclusive in their imagery, language, and participation.

**R6.30 . . . REPORTS**

**R6.3000 . . . STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Pastors shall submit the statistical report to the Conference Statistician and the financial report to the Conference Treasurer as requested by these officers.

**R6.3001 . . . PRE-ANNUAL MEETING REPORT:** Reports that are to be printed in the Pre-Annual Meeting Handbook of the AMC shall be submitted to the Conference office by April 15th preceding the Annual Meeting.

**R6.35 . . . FISCAL MATTERS**

**R6.3500 . . . FISCAL YEAR:** The fiscal year for the AMC shall be the calendar year (January 1-December 31.)

**R6.3501 . . . CLOSING: CF&A** shall set the date yearly for the closing of the financial records of the AMC, and all remittances must be received and are due by the established date in order for the church to receive credit for the fiscal year.

**R6.3502 . . . JULY SALARY:** The July salary shall be paid to the pastor by the local church to which the pastor is appointed at the Annual Meeting.

**R6.40 . . . APPORTIONMENTS:** Apportionment requests upon the charge or pastor shall first be referred to the CF&A. No apportionments shall be made until the CF&A has made its report. If the report is negative, a two-third (2/3's) majority vote of the members of AMC shall be required to reverse the recommendation of the CF&A.

**R6.45 . . . BUDGETARY CHANGES:** Changes in the budget as proposed by CF&A or as adopted by the AMC may be proposed on the motion of any member of the AMC. If the proposed change is greater than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00), then the motion must be distributed in writing to the members of the AMC in attendance at the session at which the motion is made at least eight (8) hours prior to any action on the motion. In addition any change proposed in an expense category that results in an increase or decrease in total expense must be accompanied by a commensurate change in expected income to maintain the balance of the budget.

**R6.50 . . . RULES . . .** The AMC shall be governed by the following bodies of law in descending order of priority: the Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church; the

Rules of the AMC; and the Rules of the most recent General Conference of The UMC. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all questions of procedure when none of the foregoing applies.

**R6.5000 . . . RULES CHANGES: . . .** Rules changes may occur in any of the following ways:

By recommendation from any Conference Standing Committee, Council, Unit, or Regional council.

From the Presiding Bishop and/or AMC Superintendent.

Over the signature of three (3) members of the AMC.

By individual members of the AMC who may submit proposals for rules changes to the Administrative Unit for consideration with the understanding that the Administrative Unit is not bound to report the proposed change to the floor for Annual Meeting.

The rules of the AMC may be amended or suspended on the first day of Annual Meeting by a majority vote. At all other times amendments or suspension of the rules requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

**R6.55 . . . JOURNAL**

**R6.5500 . . . OFFICIAL MINUTES: . . .** The record of daily proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the AMC as signed by the Presiding Bishop and the Secretary of the AMC shall be considered to be the official minutes of the Annual Meeting.

**R6.5501 . . . AMC JOURNAL: . . .** The daily proceedings together with such supporting documents as are deemed helpful and necessary shall be published yearly as the AMC journal. The Conference Secretary, in consultation with the Conference Superintendent, shall determine what additional material shall be included in the Journal that is not covered by Disciplinary requirements.

**R6.5502 . . . DEADLINE: . . .** All material to be published in the Journal shall be submitted to the Secretary of the AMC by midnight of the adjournment day unless other arrangements are made with the Secretary.

# XIII. QUALIFICATIONS AND GUIDELINES

## A. Qualifications for Advance Special Salary Support/Covenant Relationships

Those missionaries who qualify for salary support through the Advance shall:

1. Serve local churches with less than 200 members.
2. Serve local churches with budgets less than $150,000 raised locally excluding debt retirement. (For locations which qualify for COLA by Equitable Salary standards, the maximum shall be $150,000 plus the COLA.)
3. Serve local churches which are able to maintain a parsonage or housing allowance.
4. Receive a salary not more than 10% above the minimum cash base salary (before COLA and years of experience are added) established by the Equitable Compensation Guidelines set at the Annual Meeting. (Exceptions to this shall be the first five years of a new ministry and Native Ministries and crisis situations).
5. Be recommended by the Equitable Compensation Committee for approval by the Administrative Unit and the Conference Superintendent.

## B. Guidelines for Parsonage Standards

**Property Ownership:** If a parsonage is provided, it should be owned by the local charge or a Board of Trustees of the Alaska Missionary Conference. Also, flexibility should be allowed so that a pastor and congregation can work out an arrangement whereby a housing allowance is provided in lieu of a parsonage.

**The House:** At least four bedrooms; a basement with exit where possible; house plan should be flexible to allow for differing size families; family room, at least two full bathrooms; adequate storage; large living room; adequate weather stripping and insulation; screens on windows that open; double garage, not necessarily heated; dining area suitable for family and entertaining; sit-down eating space in the kitchen; a wood stove would be a desirable feature. New parsonages should be handicap accessible.

**Location:** Preferable within walking distance of the church building, but not more than three miles away.

**Furnishings:** Household personal items should be provided by the parsonage family. Heavy furniture and major appliances in good working order should be provided by the church including: beds, tables, chairs, sofa, freezer, washer and dryer, refrigerator, dishwasher, disposal, chests and dressers, drapes, floor coverings, lawn mower where needed, fire extinguisher, smoke alarms. Painting (in and out), carpet deep cleaning, should be scheduled on a four-year basis or change of pastor.

**Appliances and Furnishings Allowance:** Each parsonage family shall have available to them $1000 each appointive year to be used at the discretion of pastor and parsonage committee for appliances and furnishings as listed above. In the first year of appointment, this amount shall be available at the time of arrival of the parsonage family where possible. The Trustees shall keep a record of the date of purchase and repair of all appliances, including the heating system, and of all painting and decorating, inside and out. The Superintendent shall ask for the Parsonage Report at the annual Charge Conference meeting.

**Garage and Grounds:** If possible, a garage shall be provided with adequate lights and electrical outlets and sufficient space for gardening and lawn equipment, bicycles, etc. This should be provided with easy to operate door. Any damage to the parsonage or grounds caused by any household pet shall be repaired or replaced at the expense of the parsonage occupants. Excessive damage, beyond normal wear, to the parsonage caused by the parsonage family shall be repaired, replaced, or paid for by the pastor.

**Maintenance Fund:** A revolving fund of $1000 shall be available for maintenance repairs and upkeep as authorized by the trustees. For most churches, this should be a trust account drawn on when needed, not necessarily budgeted in full every year.

**Insurance:** Replacement value of the parsonage should be the guide for insurance coverage. Insurance on the pastor's personal items should be provided by the pastor.

**Parsonage Committee:** The PPR Chair, the Trustee Chair, the Pastor and family shall meet at least once annually to review parsonage needs and existing conditions.

**Utilities:** Full cost of utilities are to be provided for each parsonage, when the pastor lives in the parsonage.

**An Encouragement to All:** We recognize that comfortable surroundings in the home contribute to the happiness, health, and effectiveness of the parsonage family and the pastor in their work for the whole church. We encourage that each parish will do its very best in providing such a home.

## C. Guidelines for Dealing with the Abuse of Power and Authority of the Clergy Office in Areas Relating to Clergy Sexual Misconduct

(This document is not intended to supersede nor misconstrue the Discipline of the United Methodist Church or Alaska State Law, both of which do clearly supersede anything herein.)
The pastoral office is a position of great trust and responsibility and can be a position of significant authority and power over others. We would like to believe that no ordained clergy person would violate the trust and power of the office for sexual gratification. Yet the experience of the church is that it does happen. Persons in pastoral roles may violate the trust given them in many ways, but these guidelines deal specifically with the abuse of the power of the pastoral office by those who engage in sexual misconduct, and in particular in those cases where there are persons who are, or perceive themselves to be, victims of this misconduct.
It is recognized that clergy persons are also vulnerable human beings and can themselves be the victims in cases of sexual misconduct. In any case, the whole church must always be concerned for both the legal and spiritual care of the pastor. Still, history indicates that concern for those victimized by inappropriate clergy conduct has often been inadequate. The primary purpose of these guidelines is to provide justice and care for such persons.
For the purpose of this paper, clergy sexual misconduct shall be defined as "Unethical sexual activity, a form of sexual abuse by clergy persons." This includes sexual abuse of children and youth, affairs with counselees, infidelity, promiscuity (e.g. repeated sexual advances or actions), sexual harassment, and other inappropriate behavior. Such activity breaks the sacred trust inherent in our ordination. These guidelines are for clergy appointed to the Alaska Missionary Conference.

### a. Theological Reflections

One of the on-going tasks of Christian community is to understand our life theologically. This is as true in matters of human sexuality, its potential for expressing love and commitment to God, the other person and oneself, and its potential for abuse, as anywhere else.

We affirm that:
1. God creates persons in the Divine image, male and female.
2. Women and men are equal in the eyes of God.
3. The human body is good, a special part of the divine creation. It is the temple in which the Holy Spirit dwells and a place where the Word is made flesh.
4. Human sexuality is an integral part of our humanity. While profoundly personal, it has social dimensions as well. Its physical, emotional, and spiritual expression in relation to

others ought to be based on a loving commitment and accountability to God, the other person, and oneself.

5. God calls persons to wholeness through Jesus Christ and to participation in the Body of Christ, the community of faith whose central quality is redemptive love.

6. The whole church receives and accepts the call of God to embody and carry forth Christ's ministry in the world. Ordination originates in God's will and purpose for the church. There are persons within the church community whose gifts, graces, and promise of future usefulness are observable to the community, who respond to God's call and offer themselves in leadership as ordained ministers.(Par. 402, 1988 Discipline) In this role, persons are entrusted with responsibility to care for those they serve and not to misuse this role to the detriment of any.

7. Violation of the pastoral office by inappropriate sexual conduct is a sin against God the victim(s), oneself and the redemptive community.

This violation:

- causes potentially serious psychological, spiritual, and emotional harm to the victim(s);
- reveals the brokenness of the perpetrator;
- betrays Christ and the pastoral office in that it abuses the power and authority of ministry by changing it from healing and redemption to exploitation and gratification, and tarnishes the symbol of Christ as healer and Savior; and
- rends the local parish as the whole body of Christ in ways which require special efforts for healing the deep wounds.

8. Because of God's grace and forgiveness, healing can occur for the victim(s), the offender, and the community.

These affirmations which have grown out of our life together within the covenant community are also reflected in the following statements from the 1992 Discipline (Par. 431).

It is to be expected that ordained persons shall:

- Nurture and cultivate spiritual disciplines and patterns of holiness...
- Be committed to and engage in leading the ministry of the whole church in loving service to humankind...
- For the sake of the mission of Jesus Christ in the world and the most effective witness to the Christian gospel, and in consideration of his/her influence as a minister, be willing to make a complete dedication of himself/herself to the highest ideals of Christian life; and to this end, agree to exercise responsible self-control by personal habits conducive to bodily health, mental and emotional maturity, fidelity in marriage and celibacy in singleness social responsibility, and growth in grace and the knowledge and love of God.
- Be persons in whom the community can place trust and confidence...
- Be accountable to the United Methodist Church, accept its Discipline and authority, abide by the demands of the special relationship of its ordained ministers, and be faithful to their vows as ordained ministers of the church of God.

Any breach of professional ethics is a misuse of the trust which traditionally has been given to the office. Furthermore, sexual misconduct involving the misuse of the authority of the clerical office, often leaves the victim with the burden of guilt, anger, betrayal, and rejection. Often the victim bears the burden of proof before appropriate action can be taken. Any such sexual misconduct in the context of the clergy/lay relationship shall be seen as an offense by the clergy person who then bears the responsibility for victim restitution and faces disciplinary action. This is particularly significant in clergy/lay relationships because of the power dynamics involved.

Clergy persons involved in any form of sexual misconduct have breached their ordination vows. Christian, professional, and legal standards inform clergy behavior. For instance, professional standards of counseling prohibit any sexual contact with counselees. When a clergy person uses the influence of his/her role and engages in sexual misconduct, it is an irresponsible and unethical act which takes advantage of the vulnerability of another. Clergy have a responsibility not to take advantage of persons in this way and not to engage in sexual activity with them.

These guidelines refer to clergy sexual misconduct. In the event the alleged offender is the Superintendent, then "the Bishop" shall be substituted for "the Superintendent" in all such cases.

**b. Procedures for Misconduct with Children and Youth**

1. Sexual activity with children and youth is a chargeable offense under Para. 2623, Discipline. In the event an allegation of such activity is made against any person in an office listed in Para. 2623(1), Discipline. the person to whom the allegation is made shall immediately report the allegation to the appropriate public or police agency as required by law. Charges may be brought and an investigation and other appropriate action shall proceed according to Paragraphs 2622-2627, Discipline, without regard to any criminal charges that may be initiated by civil authorities.

2. Sexual activity with children and youth is a crime under state law. In the event a clergy person is arrested, charged by information, or indicted for a crime involving any sexual offense, that person shall also be charged under Para. 2623, Discipline. and appropriate action taken under Paragraphs 2622-2627, Discipline. If the criminal charges are dismissed or the person is found to be not guilty beyond a reasonable doubt of the criminal charge, the Superintendent shall continue the proceedings under Paragraphs 2622-2627, Discipline, and make a determination whether a preponderance of the evidence shows that, even though the person may not have been legally culpable, the level of impropriety is sufficient to constitute a chargeable offense under Par. 2623. If the person is found guilty of the criminal offense, then the Superintendent shall initiate the process of expulsion from the pastoral ministry.

**c. Procedures for Misconduct with Adults**

When sexual misconduct is alleged, it shall be brought to the attention of those in authority, and the following procedures shall be followed: (Par. 453 of the Discipline describes the grievance procedures.)

1. Allegations of sexual misconduct shall be made to the Superintendent in the form of a complaint. A complaint may be brought only by the person claiming to have been personally offended by the conduct, or by a person with first-hand knowledge of the conduct. Although a complaint may be brought verbally, the Superintendent may not respond to the complaint unless the complainant signs a document which clearly states the allegations which describe the offensive conduct. The Superintendent or any other person may assist the complainant in the preparation of the written complaint. If the complainant is unwilling to put the complaint in writing, the Superintendent shall inform the complainant that the verbal allegations will not be investigated and the grievances will not be redressed.

2. The complainant shall be encouraged to bring a support person to any meeting or hearing at any point in the process. Any meeting between the complainant and the alleged offender shall take place in a neutral location.

3. The Conference Superintendent shall promptly:

a). Meet again with the complainant in the presence of an ordained elder who is a member of the Professional Ministries Unit and/or the Bishop. At this meeting the complainant should be assured that the allegations are being taken very seriously by the

Conference. The complainant shall be asked to verify the complaint with the words, "I declare under penalty of perjury that the allegations contained in this complaint are true."

b). Determine if there is probable cause to proceed with the investigation of the complaint. If the complainant refuses to put the allegations in writing or to sign or verify the complaint, the Superintendent may not respond to the complaint.

c). With the complainant's knowledge, meet in person with the respondent, i.e., the person to whom this procedure is being applied, provide the respondent with a copy of the complaint, and informally discuss the allegations with the respondent.

d). Meet formally with both parties (i.e., the complainant and the respondent), the Bishop of the Alaska Missionary Conference, and clergy member of the Professional Ministries Unit. Not less than 20 days prior to the date of this formal conference both parties shall be informed that they may have one person at the conference with them who has the right of advocacy, and that the conference will be recorded.

e). After the formal conference the Bishop, Superintendent, and clergy member of the Professional Ministries Unit shall confer, make a determination as to the truth of the allegations, and issue written findings as to their determination.

(1) If they find that the allegations are insubstantial (i.e., where the harm alleged is of little or no substance) or false, the respondent may choose to have the entire record of the proceeding expunged from his/her personnel record, or the respondent may choose an appropriate statement of the exoneration included in the record.

(2) If they find that there is probable cause to bring charges and convene a Committee on Investigation under Par. 2325 (1), (3), or (4), notice of the finding shall be provided to the chair of the Pastor Parish Relations Committee (PPRC) of the local church served by the respondent or other appropriate supervisor, the Bishop of the Respondent's home Annual Conference, and the Mission Personnel Resources Program Department of the General Board of Global Ministries.

4. In the AMC, responsibility shall be assumed by the following:

a.) Colleagues in the ministry:

(1.) Clergy colleagues hold a special covenant of mutual responsibility. When a pastor has knowledge of a colleague's sexual misconduct, the appropriate steps of intervention should be taken. This shall mean reporting alleged sexual misconduct to the Conference Superintendent. (Or in cases of alleged sexual misconduct against the Conference Superintendent, the Bishop.)

(2.) Where a colleague has been involved in sexual misconduct, and the case is being or has been resolved, the other members in the covenant must search for ways to and actively practice the reconciliation.

(3.) Cases of sexual misconduct will be kept in strictest confidentiality within the specifically designated group and persons charged with the responsibility for bringing justice and reconciliation. All clergy should actively prevent and discourage gossip, especially among clergy peers.

(4.) In cases where the situation has proceeded to Step 3.e.2 above, depending upon the seriousness of the complaint, the Bishop and Superintendent may choose to remove the accused clergy person from his/her ministerial duties. When a clergy person is removed from his/her ministerial duties due to sexual misconduct, a report shall be made by the Bishop or Conference Superintendent at the next clergy session to inform the clergy of the actions taken. In such cases, as colleagues in ministry, other clergy will covenant to honor this decision and refrain from inviting that person to perform ministerial duties in our churches and institutions.

(5.) The accused clergy person will have assigned to him/her a trained support person to be in ministry with them, and will receive regular informational contact with the Conference Superintendent.

b.) The Local Church or other Hiring Bodies:

(1.) Local Pastor Parish Committees will be informed of the policies dealing with clergy sexual misconduct.

(2.) Matters of clergy sexual misconduct must be dealt with in strictest confidentiality in local churches.

(3.) The PPRC with the Conference Superintendent (or in cases of alleged sexual misconduct against the Conference Superintendent, the Bishop) shall assist in the reconciliation process of the persons affected and help the victim(s) find healing within the context of church community.

(4.) The Conference Superintendent (or in cases of alleged sexual misconduct against the Conference Superintendent, the Bishop) shall help the PPRC define its role in responding to a spouse.

(5.) The PPRC may secure one of the lay observers from the PMU or another lay person to help find resources within the church and larger community for a spouse of the offending clergy person.

(6.) In cases where clergy sexual misconduct has been substantiated and persons remain active clergy in the AMC, full information of sexual misconduct and subsequent actions taken shall be kept in the clergy person's permanent record in the Conference Office. Such information shall be shared with present and future Pastor-Parish Relation Committees, and when clergy return to their home annual conferences, documentation of clergy sexual misconduct will be included in the files sent to the home conference. This material may be sent to the PPRCs of previous appointments at the discretion of the Bishop and the Superintendent.

(7.) Where sexual misconduct has become a public issue, the Conference Superintendent and the Professional Ministries Unit need to join with the PPRC to provide emotional, liturgical and institutional means of healing.

**d. Concluding Statement**

The procedures outlined in this position paper are limited to addressing inappropriate sexual conduct of those clergy persons whose actions have been reported. The best solution to the problems caused by clergy sexual misconduct is the self-discipline of each clergy person. Such self-discipline takes the Christian standards and ordination vows seriously.

Personal integrity and mature and professionally responsible conduct must be brought to all relationships by every clergy person in the Conference. When relational and sexual difficulties are present in a pastor's personal and/or professional life, counseling is appropriate and should be sought.

By the very nature of the disciplinary procedures outlined in this paper, the concept of a single "victim" is too limiting. When sexual misconduct occurs, there are many victims. The spouse and families of the persons who are involved in illicit sexual liaisons are victims. Congregations who must live with the interpersonal and the community impact of inappropriate sexual behavior are victims. The offender/victimizer is in one sense a "victim" of his or her own deeply troubled personality. Pastors who are not responsible for the misconduct find themselves living with the consequences arising from the misconduct of a brother or sister. When friends in the ministry are caught in the web of sexual misconduct, there is a tension between caring for a personal friend involved in questionable sexual liaisons and caring for the health and authenticity of the ordained ministry. It is possible to protect a friend, and thereby to perpetuate a relationship or pattern of behavior which is destructive to many others. Ultimately, the credibility and practice of the Christian faith have been compromised.

Not all of the victim(s) are included in the disciplinary and restorative procedure of the ordained ministry. Yet all are hurt when sexual misconduct has occurred. Those who take the connectional covenant seriously and who value the vows of ordination will assume responsibility for the whole church in the way they live with their sexuality. This paper intends to provide clear guidelines which will strengthen the covenant and ministry we share together.

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